Bell, Ostrander & Company, Grocers

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The distinction of being ranked as one of the leaders in the grocery business in Covina. They carry a choice selection of fine family groceries, making a specialty of fine teas, coffees, table luxuries, canned goods of all kinds, butter, cheese, flour and the very best of everything that the market affords. This establishment has the reputation of being the place to get just what you want and at the right prices, and all goods can be relied upon as being just as they are represented. The wants and wishes of customers are a first consideration in all cases with this firm, which fact coupled with their thorough knowledge of the trade, prompt attention to all orders and the most courteous treatment of patrons has gained for this store a most enviable reputation throughout Covina and vicinity. The members of the firm are known among our most enterprising and progressive business men, who take an interest in all matters for the benefit of our city.

Fabrick's Hardware

The vast variety of tools and articles which are classed under the term general hardware render the service of the trade of the greatest importance in every community and business circle. A prominent, prosperous and representative house engaged in this branch of trade in our city, deserves, or more than passing mention, as handling the very best class of goods and for reliable, straightforward dealings is that of the hardware firm of F. H. Fabrick. The premises occupied are of ample dimensions, conveniently arranged and appointed, having every facility at hand for the successful prosecution of the business.

The stock embraces everything known to the trade, such as shelf and heavy hardware, contractors' builders' and blacksmiths' supplies, gasoline stoves, pocket and table cutlery, tinware, etc. It is a well assorted stock, the latest and best patterns being at prices to suit the times. The [illegible] matters affecting the city's prosperity and are at all times liberally disposed to aid any worthy enterprise that will tend to advance the city's interest.

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Berlin. The growth of the population of Germany in 1902, regarding which statistics have just been tabulated, was the greatest ever known, amounting to [illegible], or [illegible] per [illegible] compared with [illegible] in 1901 and [illegible]. The average for the last ten years. The number of births during the decade increased only slightly, [illegible] and the death rate [illegible] the previous decade.

COVINA'S ORANGE PACKING HOUSES

Covina Livery Stables

They also pay special attention to the commercial and tourist trade. No nicer auto drives in California can be enjoyed than those from Covina to adjacent points of interest and the [illegible] of these drives are greatly enhanced to tourists by the intelligent service furnished by the firm to all parties desiring them.

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Personally they are popular and [illegible] and enjoy the confidence of their patrons and the [illegible] marked degree.

W. B. Thorne, General Insurance

[illegible]

Covina Meat Market

[illegible] Patrons are always treated courteously, given the best cuts when desired, and always get the correct prices consistent with good quality. The market has always been well patronized and its prosperity has not peaked yet, but has stimulated to further effort to accommodate its large and steadily increasing trade. When you want a nice steak, roast, or fine pieces, lamb, mutton, sausage, bacon, pickled meats, lard or anything in this line, you will always find at this reliable and popular market, where you are always sure of getting the best meats, good weight and low prices. This firm also sells wholesale to the other markets of the valley.

They operate in connection with their butcher business a complete ice plant, manufacturing during the summer months, from two to three tons of ice per day.

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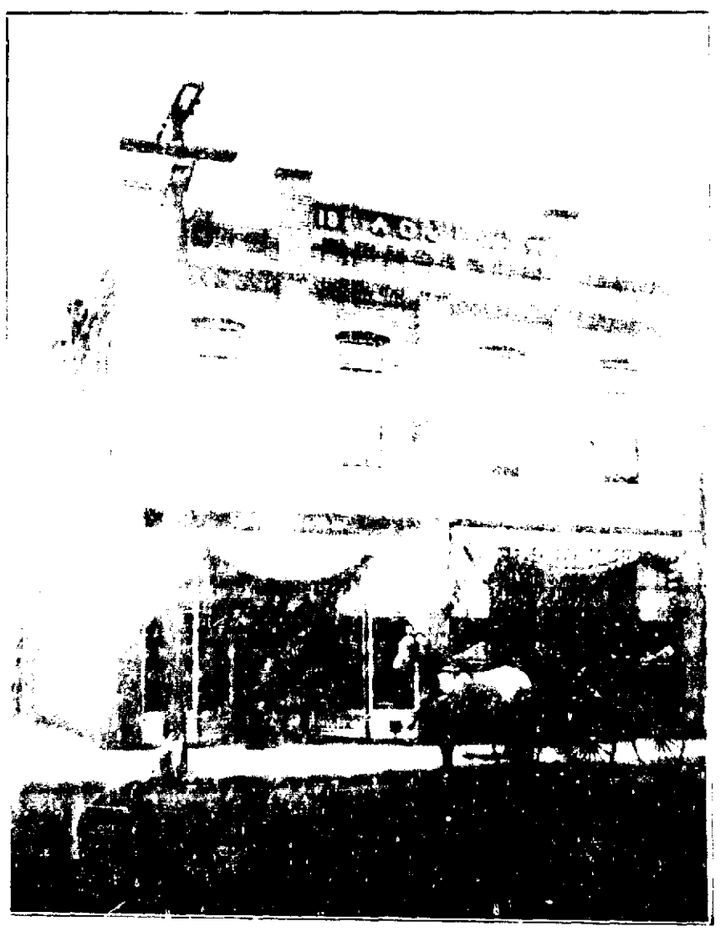

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W. C. T. U.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in the Christian church, Covina, last Tuesday afternoon. In the absence of the president, Mrs. E. V. Rice, Mrs. Elmer Thomason occupied the chair and also conducted devotional exercises on account of the absence of Mrs. A. Warner. Mrs. Gatton, treasurer, reported the forwarding of $7.00 to the Ransom Home, five having been donated by Mrs. Miller of Glendora, and $2.00 by Mrs. W. C. Hibsch of Covina.

Mrs. Hall, Superintendent of the Ransom Home work asked that those having clothing, fruit, etc., they wish to give for the home, would kindly leave it with Mrs. Davis, Azusa, during the following week. "Current Items" were conducted by Mrs. C. Allison, followed with short discussion as to what the W. C. T. U. is doing all over the land, and how much each member may accomplish through faithfulness of child training and always using their influence on the side of right.

The secretary was instructed to send letters of condolence to Mrs. Prather, Covina, and Mrs. White, Glendora, members of the Union.

Next meeting will be held at Glendora, Dec. 22. Subject, "Advantage of Peace," led by Mrs. E. Miller.

Charles Matney Arraigned.

Charles Matney, the Covina rancher charged with criminal assault, who cut his throat while in charge of the officers on Saturday Nov. 28, was sufficiently recovered from his rash act to be able to leave the hospital and be arraigned in Justice C. F. Parker's Court Saturday morning. He was represented by G. P. O'Neall, Esq., of this place. The preliminary hearing was set for Monday, Dec. 21, and the prisoner admitted to bail in the the sum of $1500. His bondsmen were Matthew Matney, E. H. Matney and C. H. Coffman, father, brother and brother-in-law respectively of the accused. The prisoner was accompanied in court by his father. Shortly after Matney had been seated his wife, who is a stout, pleasant looking woman, entered the court room affectionately kissing her husband, an act which for the moment unnerved the man, the tears coursing down his cheeks. Before leaving the court room the father of the accused grasped Constable Van Vliet by the hand and thanked him in words broken with emotion for the consideration he had shown in the exercise of his duty. But for Van Vliet's presence of mind when Matney cut his throat the accused would have bled to death before medical aid could have reached him.

High School Notes.

A game of baseball will be played on the Covina diamond between the Whittier and Covina High School teams this afternoon. A game is also to be played between the Compton and Covina High School teams at Compton Saturday, Dec. 19th.

The Literary Society met Friday afternoon, December 4. A very pleasing program was rendered and heartily welcomed by the members and visitors.

A number of the boys of the High School Tennis Club, with the financial assistance of the High School Board have put up a ten foot fence around the tennis court, which has for some time been needed.

The girl's basket ball team met and defeated the Alhambra girls last Saturday at Alhambra by a score of 15 to 8. The Covina girls did fine playing throughout the game and considering this their first game, deserve credit for their excellent goal throwing.

Wanted: Girl for general housework; must be good, plain cook. Mrs. H. E. Chesebro.

We have 23 acres of the finest land in the valley and to any reliable man we will sell it on easy terms. See J. L. Matthews.

Buy your seed barley of J. H. Matthews', the feed store, any quantity from a sack to a carload. Quality fine, price right.

Entertainment.

The Covina public is promised some rare treats next week.

On Monday the celebrated Fisk Singers will hold an entertainment in the Reed Hall, under the auspices of the Covina Epworth League. These colored singers attract a crowded house wherever they go and Covina will be no exception to the rule. Admission 50c, reserved seats 25c extra. Plan of hall at Baker's Drug Store.

On Friday evening the "Mother Goose" entertainment will be placed on the boards of the Covina Opera House for the benefit of the Public Schools.

The costumes and scenery will be gorgeous and over 50 of Covina's prominent citizens will take part.

It will be an evening of mirth and laughter and the advance sales promise to be enormous. Reserved seat tickets, 35c, will be placed on sale at 10 o'clock this morning at Clapp's pharmacy. No general admission tickets will be sold until the night of the entertainment. General admission 25c, children under 12 years, 15c.

Mr. Charles E. Crawford is director; Miss Emily Stetson, treasurer; Miss Myrta Sturtevant has charge of the costumes; and Mrs. L. L. Ratekin pianiste.

Ice cream and cake will be served between the acts.

Again, the sale of reserved seats will be unprecedented and many will probably be disappointed as the capacity of the hall is only 500. No tickets will be sold after the seating capacity of the hall has been filled.

Hotel Vendome Arrivals.

C. L. Greason, Pomona; Chas. Raybur, Riverside; W. H. Medaris, St. Louis; A. I. Chapman, Minneapolis; J. A. D. Halloway, Los Angeles; J. G. French, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Slatter, McPherson, Kan.; Carrie Mathes, Windorn, Kan.; Mrs. W. R. Crawford, Mattie, Berniece and Beryl Crawford of Windorn, Kan.; W. G. Hornby, Los Angeles; Geo. Slater, Sam Fields and Arthur Norman of McPherson, Kan.; Geo. O. Hanson, Los Angeles; J. H. Kallmerger, El Monte; F. A. Fitzgerald and wife, Chicago; J. W. Jones, Longmont, Colo.; Wm. F. Lyons, Bismarck, Dakota; Roy Parker, J. E. Heath, C. R. Cary Los Angeles; H. A. Hersherp, S. C. Deardorff, W. F. Huff, N. F. Coleman, San Francisco: W. B. Harvey, Santa Ana.

Passed to Rest.

The death occurred yesterday of Mrs. Eliza Headley at the home of her son, Mr. Stephen C. Headley, on Cypress avenue, at the advanced age of 86 years and 10 months, after a brief illness.

The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the residence, the services being in charge of Rev. Mr. Sibley, pastor of the Azusa Presbyterian church.

The deceased lady was a native of New Jersey, passing her early girlhood in the city of New York and afterwards returning to her native state. After her husband's death in 1885 she moved to California in 1889 and has since made her home with her son and daughters on Cypress avenue.

She leaves five children, Mr. Stephen C. Headley, Mrs. E. P. Rice, Miss Anna Headley, of this place, Mrs. E. W. Parsons, of Newwark, N. J., and Mrs. J. R. Meeker, of Jersey City Heights, N. J.

Wife Beating.

Gabriel Marques, a young Mexican, was arrested yesterday for wife beating.

The complaint was sworn to by Inez Marques his wife, a pretty Mexican girl, who appeared in court with a young infant in her arms.

The accused will have his trial on Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Smelt paper all colors at Clapp's.

Order a home made cake from Warner, Whitsel & Co. You will find it first class in every respect. Any kind baked to order.

Monday Afternoon Club.

The club met on Monday last at the residence of Mrs. W. B. Thorne on Second street. Before commencing the afternoon program the plans of the new club house were exhibited, receiving very favorable comment from all those present.

Miss Maude Edwards read an interesting paper on Keats and Miss McNair delighted her hearers with the story and symbolic meaning of Shelby's ,'Sensitive Plant."

The meeting on Monday will be held in Reed's Hall, Mrs. Lou. V. Chapin lecturing on "Current History." The lecture will commence promptly at 3 o'clock.

City Trustees.

At the regular session of the City Trustees held on Tuesday evening there was present a full Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and apporved.

A petition was received, signed by twenty-eight business men, protesting against the present license ordinance, was received and on motion laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Board.

The following demands were allowed and ordered paid: J. L. Matthews, printing, $20.90; G. B. Smee, road work, $3.50; A. O. U. W. Building Association, recording deed, $1.10; James R. Hodges, salary, $27.50; J. M. Rush, road work, $8.75; J. R. Elliott, pipe, $20.40.

Petition.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the City of Covina:

The citizens and business men of the City of Covina, Los Angeles Co., Cal., most respectfully petition your Honorable Board that the tax on the business concerns of the City of Covina be abated, annulled and done away with; if not we agree to pay our part in fighting same as we consider it unjust and burdensome.

W. S. Sides	Gauldin & Goff
R. Baker	J. N. Wilson
R. C. Pollard	J. C. Smith
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W. B. Broadwell	Jas. Harthorn
Chas. Madison	J. H. Matthews
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H. C. Robsahm	C. W. Tucker
J. A. Schumm	J. H. Coolman

Bell, Ostrander & Co.
Dudderar & Dreher
Demuth & Schwantes
John Gauldin.

Xmas Goods.

Now is the time of year when we are all thinking of Xmas gifts. Nothing would be more appreciated by the ladies than a new hat. We have them in all styles and materials. A liberal discount will be made on all cash purchased during the next week. Call and see us. Miss McKirahan.

Quick meal gasoline stoves, the best stove on the market.
Potter's Hardware.

The Covina Furniture Co. will pay the highest cost price for secondhand furniture.

Have your photographs taken at C. W. Tucker's studio; everything guaranteed.

Dressmaking:— Fancy and plain sewing, also sewing by the day. Mrs. Benton, and Miss McGirk, East Badillo St. 12-28pd

Rev. Geo. W. Taylor, pastor of the Baptist Church, closed a very successful series of Evangelistic services on Sunday evening. At the final service the seating capacity of the church was inadequate to accommodate those who desired to listen to this gifted preacher. He delivered an impressive sermon on the theme, "Too Late." Preceeding the preaching service eight beautiful views of Jerusalem, at the time of the crucifixion were thrown upon a screen by the use of a stereopticon. The pictures were beautifully distinct, the figures being almost life size.

XMAS CANDIES

A LARGE, NEW STOCK OF ASSORTED CANDIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS AT LOWER PRICES THAN YOU WILL FIND ELSEWHERE.

HOME PHONE NO. 88. Bell, Ostrander & Co. COVINA'S LEADING GROCERS

Better Service

IN ORDER TO IMPROVE OUR DELIVery service inside the city limits and arrange matters so that customers may know just what to depend on, we shall put the following arrangement into effect on Monday, Dec. 14th.

Using Badillo street as a dividing line, our "short order" wagon will start at 8 a.m. into the South half of town—at 9 a,m. into the Morth half —South again at 10 a.m.—and North at 11 a m. The same rule applies in the afternoon—South at 2 p m.—North at 3—South at 4—and North at 5.

This does not apply to orders given to our solicitors. It meaas the orders sent in by telephone which call for a special delivery. If customers will remember the hours for our wagons and try to arrange accordingly, everybody can have their goods on time and nobody need be disappointed.

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Our baker turns out good things to eat; bread, cake, pies, cookies, doughnuts made at home in the old fashioned way. We get them fresh every day
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REFORMATION OF SYSTEM

CHANGES IN THE POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT

The Estimated Expenditure for the Delivery Service for the Next Fiscal Year Aggregates $47,000,000

Washington—The annual report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow for the fiscal year ended June 30 last makes the following recommendations:

An appropriation to construct inspector's lookouts in postoffices wherever necessary in the opinion of the postmaster; that the interstate commerce law be amended so as to prohibit common carriers from aiding and abetting in the green goods, lottery or any other scheme carried on partly by mail and partly by common carrier, in violation of the postal laws; that special agents and postoffice inspectors be hereafter designated rural agents; that the provision that rural carriers shall not be prohibited from doing express business be repealed; that the maximum salary for a rural carrier be increased to $750 per annum for a route of twenty-five miles or more in length, and the enactment of a law requiring assistant postmasters, cashiers and other employes to give bonds to postmasters direct, and holding postmasters responsible under their own bonds.

The estimated expenditure for both city and rural and free delivery service during the fiscal year beginning July next will aggregate about $47,000,000. There were 15,061 appointments of postmasters during the year and the removals of postmasters for cause showed a decrease. There were 4462 postoffices discontinued, of which 2163 resulted from the extension of rural free delivery, the salaries of the postmasters of the latter offices aggregating $121,332. Mr. Bristow's report further says:

"An investigation which is still in progress has shown that for a number of years supplies for the free delivery service have not been purchased with an eye single to the public interests. Both in the matter of quality and the cost of equipment has been individual gain. This applies to articles furnished under regular contract, such as steel collection boxes and carrier satchels, as well as to those bought in the open market under the exigency privilege, which has been much abused. Favored contractors, abetted by a trusted but unfaithful official, have corrupted the public service. An early and thorough reformation will be undertaken along the line of service equipment with the prospect of improved service at a reduced cost.

DANCEY BROWN IS A NEW ORANGE

Hybrid Just Evolved By Government Experts

Washington—A new orange has been evolved by the agricultural department plant breeding bureau which will doubtless prove of very great value to California growers. The first fruits of seedlings started seven years ago have just come to Washington from a station in Florida. The new orange is a hybrid resulting from a cross between the Parson Brown and Dancey tangerine oranges and was made seven years ago by Hermann J. Webber. The Parson Brown variety is the large thick skinned sort well known in the trade, while the Dancey is the small kid glove skin seedless tangarine. The resulting hybrid gains size from the male parent and retains all the good qualities of the tangerine with added flavor and texture. It is nearly double the size of the ordinary tangerine.

The new variety, which has been known mostly by its number, "663," will be christened the "Dancey Brown" by Webber. Secretary Wilson regards this an unqualified class and will begin distribution of the new variety as soon as ships enough can be propagated. It is not thought that they can be grown in quantity to satisfy the demand before a year from next spring.

Agriculture in Rural Schools

There has been a great deal of talk lately in regard to the teaching of agriculture and horticulture in the rural schools. Doubtless great good could be accomplished in this way if there were teachers qualified for the work. In the so-called normal schools turn out too many drilled automata and do little in the real teaching of nature. If the country school teachers could all be given a short course in agriculture and horticulture at the state colleges it would be a great help. A school here and there prepared to take up the work in an elementary way in the rural schools, as has the student classes in these colleges mostly come in the winter months, when the teachers are in attendance, would be a best for summer schools for the purpose. These might be made a strong force in the progress of nature teaching. With teachers enthused for the work there would soon come some application of what they have learned in the planting and beautifying of the school grounds. There is no thing like the actual work in planting trees and flowers and caring for them to make children fond of nature and her products, and there is nothing better calculated to drive the young people from the farm than the comfortless and ugly school houses and their ill kept surroundings. Getting the young people interested in plant life will then be apt to draw them to the farmers' institutes, and the institutes will never accomplish what they should in in the education of the farmer till they catch him young enough.—Practical Farmer.

RETURN TO EUROPE

Thousands Take Passage for Their Native Land

New York—Fifteen hundred steerage passengers sailed on the White Star liner Cedric, which left last week for Liverpool. This is the largest number of steerage passengers ever carried from a United States port on any steamer. The French line steamer La Touraine, carried 1000 steerage passengers, and it was estimated that over 200 steerage passengers with tickets were left on the dock, owing to the overselling of accomodations.

For several months the number of steerage passengers on all outgoing steamship lines has been very heavy, and it is thought that many laborers, especially Italians, having been able to accumulate what is to them a competency, are returning to their native land. On the steamer Neckar, which sailed from Bremen, were 1013 steerage passengers. It is estimated that 9000 steerage passengers have left this port in the last week for their old homes. They have come from nearly every state in the Union.

LEADER TO BE EXECUTED

Filipino Insurgent Receives Death Sentence

Manila—Lavedo Toledo, the ladrone leader who gave the military authorities considerable trouble by his operation in the province of Albany, has been convicted and sentenced to death. Toledo surrendered with thirty of his men and ten guns in October last.

Governor Taft has just appointed a mixed committee of officials connected with different departments of the government and business men of this city to consider and recommend a new list of tariff changes.

Senor Rios, the fanatic Filipino leaders and so called pope of the Tayabas, has been hanged. He was captured last May and was subsequently convicted of murder and sentenced to death. Twenty-seven of his followers sentenced at the same time to various terms of imprisonment.

Will Ply Between Mexico and China

City of Mexico—President Fong of the Chinese Commercial Steamship company and Lyman I. Mowry, general counsel for the company, have gone to San Francisco. They have arranged their business with the government and on their arrival at San Francisco will make arrangements to dispatch their steamers to Hong Kong on time. They expect that Chinese of wealth will come here to enter business bringing millions of dollars with them. Mr. Mowry regards it is feasible to open up a large direct business between this country and China, besides bringing here a great number of Chinese laborers, so much needed in the mines and plantations. American planters on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec will take large numbers of Chinese laborers here.

Santiago the Capital

New York—President Morales and Secretary of State Alfau have sailed aboard a warship for Santo Domingo, the capital, says a Herald dispatch from Puerto Plata. The President intends keeping Santiago the provisional capital until the inauguration of the constitutional government, which will take place February 27. The elections will take place in January. The popular candidates are Gen. Morales for the presidency, and Ramon Caceres for the vice-presidency. Gen. Jiminez is asserted to have lost prestige except in the Monte Carlo district.

Coffee Market Advances

New York—Sensational conditions developed at the coffee exchange. The regulation market factors were for the time ignored. Receipts continue to fall off and the fundamental proposition of the bull party is that there will not be enough coffee raised for the world's requirements for several seasons. The market sold up to a net advance of 15 to 25 points and closed steady, net 10 to 20 points higher, with sales of 202,000 bags.

To Reside on Vesuvius

Rome—M. Rasmun, the French astronomer noted for his studies of volcanic phenomena, although a very old man, has taken up residence on Mount Vesuvius in the hope that the research he is about to undertake will result in important discoveries.

GUNS STAND THE TEST

SPLENDID EQUIPMENT OF UNITED STATES ARMY

Board of Ordnance States That When Equipped With New Three-Inch Gun, the United States Artillery Will Be Superior to Any

Washington—The board of ordnance and fortifications says that the result of tests made with the three-inch rapid fire guns recommended by the board for adoption for the army "show that when equipped with these guns and carriages the field artillery of our army will have a weapon equal, if not superior to that of any nation."

Relative to the tests conducted in Pensacola harbor, the report says they have resulted in the adoption of a system of fire control and direction for coast artillery, "which when installed with such modifications as experience may suggest, as a part of the coast defense, will render it more than ever effective."

The sum of $100,000 is estimated as the amount needed to carry on the work of the board during the next fiscal year. The board renews former recommendations that appropriations by congress should be sufficient to provide a reserve supply of ammunition of at least one hundred rounds for each large caliber gun and mortar, and at least two hundred and fifty rounds for each rapid-fire gun as soon as mounted, saying, "as without an adequate supply of ammunition it is needless to say that the armament of the coast defense is useless."

An ample allowance of ammunition for annual target practice and the continuance of the present allowance for sub-caliber and machine gun practice is recommended. Further, it is recommended, that all target practice, except sub-caliber, should be with full service charges of smokeless powder, it being stated that the present allowance of ammunition had not been sufficient to test the guns thoroughly after their installation. The board renews its recommendation that provision be made for carrying out each year a system of practical drill and target practice with heavy guns under conditions approximating those of actual service. The report says three ranges should be provided, one for the North Atlantic, one for the South Atlantic and gulf and one for the Pacific coast.

Finally, the board says not less than $2,000,000 should be appropriated annually for the next several years for the installation of a proper fire-control system at each coast artillery fort, the board stating that it is not aware of any object for which the sum can be expended more effectively or from which greater benefit will be derived.

HISTORIC THEATER DESTROYED

The Brooklyn Academy of Music is Burned

New York—The historic Academy of Music, the largest theater in Brooklyn, was destroyed by a fire that is said to have been caused by an explosion. For a time the flames threatened adjoining property, and when the roof fell in part of it struck a saloon building adjoining, but fortunately no one was hurt. The loss is estimated at $300,000, fully covered by insurance.

The fire started in the scenery of the stage of the theater, where a number of men were preparing for the testimonial dinner of Senator McCarren, to be given there. The fire department was tardy in arriving and it was fully fifteen minutes before they had a stream on the building. It was then discovered that the water could be carried scarcely half way up to the roof, and within an hour after the discovery of the fire the entire building was a rearing furnace and the firemen were bending all their efforts to saving the surrounding property.

The academy, which was an antiquated building, constructed in 1860, of brick, sandstone and wood, offered no resistance to the flames. It was located in the heart of the financial district.

Opposite, on Montague street, is the Brooklyn public library, with over one hundred and sixty thousand volumes. The wind was blowing in that direction and great fears were expressed for its safety.

The building was owned by a stock company.

GOLD COINAGE REDUCED

The Total Coinage is the Largest on Record

Washington—The annual report of Director Roberts of the United States mint bureau shows that the coinage mints at Philadelphia, New Orleans and San Francisco were in operation during the year and that the output was greater in number of pieces than in any previous year, aggregating $[illegible]. The pressure for small domestic coins and for Philippine coins reduced the aggregate of gold coinage to $15,721,705 and the stock of gold bullion in the mints increased from $14,[illegible] to $16,511,571. This bullion is included in all figures of treasury reserves. The net gain in the gold stock of the country during the year estimated to have been $57,157,149.

Of the silver bullion purchased for dollar coinage under the act of July 14, 1890, 3,281,712 ounces were on hand at the beginning of the year and 17,592,938 at the close of the year. This amount will be entirely exhausted during the current fiscal year, and no other provision exists for the coinage of dollars of subsidiary silver coin. The total deposits of gold bullion at the various offices of the mint service during the year were of the value of $12,701,413. The amount of new gold bullion and of gold coin used in manufactures in this country during the year is estimated to have been $23,605,298, the largest on record.

It is announced that the new coinage mint at Denver will be ready for equipment during the coming year. The table of monetary stocks shows a gain in the estimates of gold stocks of the world from December 1, 1901, to December 1, 1902 of $208,000,000.

CHANGES IN UNIFORMS

General Staff Considers Soldier's Clothing

Washington—Officers of the general staff again are struggling with a uniform for the American soldier. In the past two years changes have been frequent, and not altogether advisable. The abandonment of the white stripe for the infantry created a great deal of discontent, for the plain blue which was substituted was not smart looking and faded or soiled rapidly. The infantry has been allowed to resume its historical color, much to the satisfaction of the old time army officers.

Several additions to the uniform are now under consideration, and will probably be adopted. The most important of these will be the adoption of an olive-drab fatigue cap, to be worn with the olive-drab uniform by both officers and enlisted men. The new cap will be shaped exactly like the blue fatigue cap recently adopted, and will be worn in lieu of the campaign hat on certain occasions. A new and far better campaign hat is also under consideration.

Another innovation in the way of a cap for officers and men may be decided upon. This consists of a soft cap made for a sleeping car, or to wear on board transports. It is similar in shape to the well known French police cap, and is also like one used by English officers for knockabout wear.

General Carter has gone to Europe to investigate the European system of remount depots for the cavalry arm. Since the general staff proposed to establish remount depots in the West quite a number of western congressmen have objected for fear that it might lead to the breeding of horses for cavalry use by the government. Their anxiety is uncalled for, as the purpose is merely to provide assembly points for horses purchased in different parts of the West. The horses are to be handled by expert horsemen and fitted for cavalry service before being sent out to the various garrisons. It is too often the case now that horses received at isolated cavalry posts are unfit for military service and cause a great deal of trouble and delay before they can be used.

General Carter is not to return to the United States but is on his way to the Philippines for active service, stopping long enough to investigate the quesiton of handling horses for the army.

DEMAND FOR MEXICAN COAL

Mines Developed to Quadruple Output

Washington—J. E. Sheridan, a mining inspector for New Mexico, in his annual report, says the demand for coal in the territory has exceeded the supply, notwithstanding the substitution of oil for fuel on 2000 miles of railroad. Great strides have been made in the territory's coal industry, and the report says:

"Given transportation facility and a sufficient number of miners, the New Mexico mines are today developed and equipped to quadruple the output, or produce 5,000,000 tons per annum, which can be easily increased to 15,000,000 or $20,000,000, or ten times that much, with further increase of development and equipment."

SENDS FLOOD TO VENICE

Four Feet of Water at Piazza of St. Mark's

Venice—As a result of the extremely bad weather with a violent wind which has prevailed for some days, Venice was almost entirely under water for a few hours the other day. At the piazza of the cathedral from St. Marks the flood rose to a height of four feet while inside the cathedral the water was so high as to threaten serious damage. Goldfish had to be used from shop door to shop door and bridges were improvised by the firemen the ordinary bridges having subsided. There is fear of another flood.

IN FIELD OF HUSBANDRY

TOPICS OF INTEREST TO FARMER AND ORCHARDIST

Growth of Fruit Industry—Irrigation in Mexico—Orange Worm Quarantine—Green Manuring Plants—Losses From Destructive Insects

The hen to produce best results needs as particular attention as the cow.

No hen will do its best in production when it is made uncomfortable by lack of proper shelter and proper food.

Some farmers may smile at the thought of feeding hay to fowls, but they will find chickens very greedy to consume finely chopped steamed clover hay mixed with ground corn, oats, and other grains.—Sentinel.

Quite recently two carloads of fresh California fruit were sold at auction in New York. One brought $1535 and the other $1328. At the same time, in carload lots, fruit sold in Chicago on an average of $1300.

H. D. Curtis of Los Gatos, has shipped this season, about 1,600,000 pounds of dried fruits. He says the foreign demands have been heavy. About three quarters of what he shipped went abroad.

According to the Los Angeles Times the yield of citrus fruits for 1903-4, will be from 25 to 50 per cent greater than last year. The prospective crop is variously estimated at from 20,000 to 50,000 carloads. The weather of December and January will have great influence on the yield.

Growth of Fruit Industry

The state board of trade has made a compilation of statistics covering a period of twelve years, showing the number of carloads of orchard products shipped out of the state during that time. Beginning in 1891, with 23,347 carloads, in three years the output was doubled; in ten years it was 83,173, but fell to 77,538 in 1902, and this year it is estimated at 86,500. The board estimates the value of the 77,538 carloads at $5,000,000, and compares it with the wheat and barley crops of that year, $21,250,000; dairy products, $18,325,000; wool, $2,700,000; hops, $2,000,000, and sugar beets, $2,000,000. And the fruit industry is still increasing rapidly.

Irrigation in Mexico

Northern Mexico, lying in the Rio Grande valley on both sides of the river, is a tract of land containing 88,000 acres, which is the property of Lorenzo Gonzales Trevino. About 25,000 acres of it will be brought under a system of irrigation within the year, and he will then continue the work of constructing canals and ditches until the entire tract can be completely irrigated. He is engaged in raising stock and will plant a large part of this great ranch with corn, sorghum, alfalfa and other stock feed. He is not imbued with the California view that such land, with its unlimited water supply, should be subdivided into small tracts and made the homes of a prosperous people.

Orange Worm Quarantine

State Horticultural Commissioner Cooper has instructed all collectors of ports in this state not to permit trees or plants of any description, or any variety of fruits, arriving from foreign ports to be landed until after inspection by the deputy commissioner or his assistants. No oranges or sweet limes under any description are to be landed if from any port of Mexico, on account of the danger of the Morelos orange maggot. Passenger's baggage or hand baskets must also be examined. If the Morelos orange maggot gets a foothold in Southern California orange growers will be bankrupted. It is a terrible pest and one that cannot be reached by any methods known to fruit growers.

Green Manuring Plants

The San Francisco Chronicle makes a good summary of the report of the State university on forage and green manuring plants, of which it has recently distributed seeds, and seems to indicate that the hairy vetch, while an excellent forage plant where conditions are favorable, will not usually make sufficient winter growth to warrant its use for green manuring in this state. Fenugreek is a good winter grower and matures a great quantity of seed, an important quality in a manure plant for which the seed should be cheap. It makes a thick growth from six to eighteen inches high, according to the soil. The lupins do not seem to grow well in the winter. The pea family still seems to be the most promising, the hardy varieties grown in northern latitudes doing well in our winters. The seed of two field peas introduced from Russia, Russian field pea and "bitter vetch," which seems to be a pea, make an excellent winter growth in this state, but they succumb to the first touch of hot weather. That, however, is of no consequence in a manuring plant for orchards, which must be turned under before hot weather. All plants sown for green manuring should be sown in time to get the benefit of the first winter rains and plowed under in time to get rolling well started before the soil dries out in the spring.

Losses From Destructive Insects

Insects are such insignificant things that, even, when we know them to be injurious, we rarely comprehend the extent of damage they do and the amount of loss they cause us. Dr. H. C. McCook in an article in Harper's Weekly gives some figures in this matter that are startling to one who has never studied it. The chinch bug, he says, caused a loss of $30,000,000 in 1874 and $80,000,000, in 1877. The Rocky Mountain locust in 1874 destroyed $100,000,000 of the crops in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa. The cotton caterpillar causes an average loss of $15,000,000 in the Southern states, while in 1868 and 1873 this loss was doubled. The grain weevil inflict an annual loss on us of $40,000,000 and the codling moth destroys from $30,000,000 to $40,000,000 of our fruit annually. These are but a few of the destructive insects which are working in our crops, and, if it were possible to compute the damage done by all, the figures given above would appear insignificant. It is a fortunate thing that for most of our destructive insects nature has provided enemies that keep them in check.—Exchange.

GOLD COMING THIS WAY

Will Be Recoined in San Francisco Mint

New York—Lazard Freres are informed that the London, Paris and American bank limited, of San Francisco, has engaged 1,000,000 yen (about $500,000) Japanese gold for shipment from Japan to San Francisco.

San Francisco—The transfer of money from New York and Japan to this city is said by local bankers to be of no serious significance. The greater portion of the coin is to supply a market which is slightly restricted on account of the recent heavy outlay for taxes and crop moving. The engagement of Japanese money is explained as a repetition of a system often employed. The bank interested has considerable sums on deposit in London. Instead of withdrawing them by the regular method of exchange it gives Japanese bankers exchange in London and receives from Japan in return a corresponding amount of new yen. Upon its arrival here the Japanese money is turned into the mint and recoined. In this way a percentage is saved.

The Paying Dairy Cow

There are two great principles in dairying that must be strictly adhered to, or failure is sure to follow. First, we must have a cow suitable for our business, and, second—and of no less importance, great attention should be paid to her feed and care. We may have the best of cows, but without proper feed and attention, failure is sure to follow, while with poor and inferior stock, no amount of feed and care will return any profit. The paying dairy cow is the one that makes money for you, and unless you have a choice of breeds, it matters not whether she be a Jersey, producing milk of high quality, or a Holstein, of large quantity, or a high grade of any other breed, so long as she gives large return above the cost of her keeping, she is a good dairy cow.—The Cotton Bale.

Grape Juice

The beneficial results of the wholesome use of unfermented grape juice are now being brought to the public attention. Its use in sickness, convalescence and good health is recommended as a cure, restorative and preventive; not only by persons in the prime of life and the young, but the old as well. It is readily made so as to please the eye by its color and attractive appearance, the smell by its aroma and fragrance, and the palate by its pleasant flavor. It is easily prepared with the facilities of the ordinary kitchen. Clean, sound, grapes are used being crushed in a cider mill, or by hand if necessary. The juice which results is heated in a double boiler, or a large stone jar in a pan of hot water, so that the juice does not come in direct contact with the fire, at a temperature of 18 degrees to 20 degrees Fahrenheit. After heating it is put in a jar allowed to settle for 24 hours, carefully filtered and put up in air tight bottles. It makes one of the best, cheapest and most refreshing summer drinks known.

Bill is Unconstitutional

St. Paul, Minn.—The supreme court declared that the state was under no moral obligation to pay sugar bounty under the law enacted in 1895, and declares the law unconstitutional. The Minnesota Sugar company sued the state and secured a bounty of $20,000 which it is claimed it had earned under the sugar bounty act of 1895.

ONE OF HERRMANN'S TRICKS.

A Bit of "Mind Reading" by the Famous Magician.

"The late Alexander Herrmann always went fixed for an impromptu exhibition," said a theatrical press agent who was once associated with the famous magician, "and in the early part of his career he would go to extraordinary pains to 'lay his fences' long in advance for startling effects. In that way he was frequently able to do things that seemed next door to supernatural, and the result was no end of valuable advertising. In later years, when he became celebrated and systematic booming was no longer necessary, the old man, as we used to call him, would often refer to these exploits and laugh heartily over the mystification they had occasioned.

"On one occasion, to give you an illustration of his patience and forethought, he was in a popular bar in Pittsburg and chanced to notice a bankbook lying on a desk behind the cigar counter. The cover bore a printed number, which was in plain sight, and when he got outside Herrmann quietly made a memorandum of it in his notebook, together with the address of the place. There was not more than one chance in a hundred that the information would ever be of any service to him, and he simply filed it away, so to speak, for possible future reference.

"Well, fully six months afterward, when he was playing a return date in the city, he piloted a party of friends one day into this identical bar, and the proprietor, who was present, was called up and introduced. All hands sat down at a table to have a bottle of wine, and, as usual, Herrmann was urged to give an example of his skill. He performed several neat tricks, and, remarking that he would wind up with a little exhibition of mind reading, asked the cafe proprietor to think of some number that could afterward be verified. 'Take the number of your bankbook,' he suggested, 'if you re-

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The Face of an Engine.

A writer in the London Saturday Review comments upon the fact that a railway engine has a face and that the face has an expression. "Look at an engine," says the writer, "and you can see that one looks noble—simply noble in its strength; another, gigantic in force, but not noble—an expression of mere brute strength. Some engines have a lofty, almost supercilious, expression; others almost foolish. Some have an air of smug stoutness. Then there are engines that distinctly look angry and others comparatively gentle. What is the key to this physiognomy? Where is the seat of expression? On the whole, it seems to be the funnel."

Plenty of Truth.

"Perhaps," ventured the unsuccessful contributor, "you didn't consider my little ode true to life."

"Oh, it was true enough," replied the editor. "I assure you there was more truth than poetry in what you said."

President For a Day.

David R. Atchison of Missouri had the unique honor of being president of the United States for one day, and that was Sunday, March 4, 1849. The term of James K. Polk expired on the morning of that day, but, as it was Sunday, the president elect, General Zachary Taylor, was not inaugurated until next day, March 5. In consequence the president pro tem. of the United States senate, D. R. Atchison, was the acting president on March 4, 1849. However he had presided at a night session of the senate, which lasted until away after midnight of Saturday, and he slept nearly all day Sunday, without realizing the fact that he was president of the United States.

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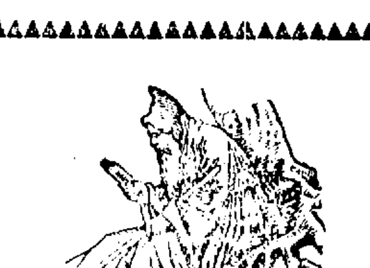
"I know he has," replied the male parent. "He inherits it from his mother."—Schoolmaster.

Fishing For Plunder.

A visitor to one of the hotels at Peking was awakened during the night by the noise caused by the fall of a roll of paper. Getting out of bed, he saw with astonishment a pole, to which was attached a fishing line, moving about the room, collecting various objects and removing them through the window. Upon going downstairs he was heard by the burglarious Chinaman outside to whom the rod belonged and who escaped, leaving his fishing line behind him.



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St. Dunstan and the Devil.

One of the most famous smiths of the Weald was St. Dunstan, archbishop of Canterbury. Mayfield, in Sussex, is the site of an ancient archiepiscopal palace, and here, according to some, took place the terrific encounter between St. Dunstan and the devil. At any rate, the anvil, hammer and tongs which are alleged to have belonged to the saint are still preserved at Mayfield palace.—Gentleman's Magazine.

His Outing.

"Were you out driving yesterday?"

"Yes, out $6 for the rig. The girl told me she was engaged to another fellow."—Exchange.

Infancy is the germ period of man's existence; it is the springtime of the year, the time of seed sowing.—Young.

Confounding a Doubter.

"This paper says thet they have jest deescovered the reemains of a twenty foot saurian on th' banks of th' Penobscot river."

"What's a saurian?"

"I dunno. Guess mebby it's one o' them misprints fer a sardine."

"There ain't no twenty foot sardines."

"Well, there might be the reemains of one."

"I don't believe it. Do you suppose anybody 'd want ter buy a box of sich sardines? I guess not."

"You're too dern critical. Ef there is th' reemains o' any twenty foot sardines on th' Penobscot don't you suppose there might also be th' reemains of men big enuff to buy 'em by the box? You're a atheeist, thet's what you are."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

An Experiment That Failed.

I know one noble minded lady, full of fine ideas, who mated with a peasant with the view of raising his class. The man got softening of the brain soon after, and it is by no means improbable the disease was hastened, if not caused, by his frantic efforts to digest the new mental food provided for him.—Dr. Schofield's "Springs of Character."

"No one is more convinced that the carrying of weapons is cowardly," said the corn fed philosopher, "than the big man that has been bluffed by some little man with a gun."—Indianapolis Press.

California could be cut up into three states about the size of New York.

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A lady in passing up a church aisle caught her dress on a corner of a pew and tore it. As the process of tearing was very audible to the congregation the feelings of the lady may be imagined when at that moment the clergyman began the service by reading the sentence:

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SISTER OF POPE PIUS X.

The Sarto Family, to Which the Pontiff Belongs, Are Peasants.

Pope Pius X, the successor of the great Leo, sprang as much from the common people as Abraham Lincoln and is the first pontiff in a long time who has come of plebeian origin. He is the son of a peasant. His sisters who kept house for him when he was bishop of Mantua and later patriarch of Venice, still wear the peasant's costume familiar to the western world on the shoulders of the humble organ grinders, writes William T. Stead in the Review of Reviews. His brother is an innkeeper in Mantua. One of his sisters married a tobacconist and the other a sacristan of the church in which the present pope had officiated for 10 years as parish priest. His manner of life is frugal, nor did he, when prince of the church, forsake the simplicity which was natural to a peasant; but although of the common people, he is one of nature's gentlemen, and among the few books that have been mentioned as proceeding from his pen is a Manual of Politeness which he wrote for the benefit of his parish clergy. The papers abound with stories of his geniality and humor. Unlike many of his brothers, he does not disdain the use of tobacco; he is passionately fond of music, and is himself a musician who, with the aid of Perosi, may be expected to effect a considerable revival of church music.

THERESA SARTO.

ARE TRYING TO BORROW $35,000,000 FOR CUBA

Mario Menocal, the most important member of the commission now in this country for the purpose of floating a loan of $35,000,000 wherewith to pay the soldiers of the Cuban army of Independence, is himself an old mil-

itary man, having held rank as a general. After the war Menocal was chief of police of Havana and later made secretary of war. Gonzalo de Quesada, adviser of the commission, which consists of three members, is the Cuban minister at Washington. In order to facilitate his work in connection with the loan he has been made ex-officio member of the commission.

What's in a Name?

Capt. Risk, of the Mallory Line steamer Denver, plying between New York and Galveston, Texas, is a bachelor who attaches a great deal of importance to the question, "What's in a name?" when applied to the matrimonial question. On one recent trip a party of passengers were discussing matrimony when the captain strolled up.

"By the way, captain," said one of the party, "how does it happen you've never married?"

"Oh, he could never find a woman willing to run the Risk," interjected one of the feminine members of the group.

"No, indeed," observed the mariner; "no one can run this Risk; I'm Captain. And no one seems to want to take the Risk, either," he added.

They Had to Wait.

Mr. Thomas, of Hermis fame, is telling his friends about two green youths of his acquaintance, who, having hired a horse and trap for a day's outing, found themselves at the close of the expedition confronted with the bewildering problem of reharnessing the animal. The bit proved their chief difficulty, for the horse made no response whatever to their overtures.

"Well, there is nothing for it but to wait," said one.

"Wait for what?" grumbled the other.

"For the horse to yawn," replied his companion.

Paid $240 for a Silver Dollar.

Silver dollars of 1794 are said to be among the rarest of coins. One is in the Philadelphia mint and the other was purchased in London recently by Mr. Henry Chapman, Jr., a collector of Philadelphia. He paid two hundred and forty dollars for it.

The 1794 dollar is similar in face appearance to the dollars now in circulation, having the medallion face on the front encircled with stars and the date. On the reverse is the spread eagle seated on the wreath.

Disturbing the Lord.

A six-year-old who hasn't yet got over the habit of doing his own thinking was passing a church a few Sundays ago in which, judging from the sounds that were floating out from it, a very lively revival service was in progress. Turning to the grown-up who was with him, the young gentleman remarked,—

"Shouldn't you think those people would be ashamed to disturb the Lord that way on His only rest day?"

It is but a short step from the critical to the hypocritical.

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The best evidence of a bad condition of the blood and unhealthy state of the system, is an old festering sore, running ulcer, or abscess. They show the bodily impurities are not passing out through the proper channels, but are left in the system to clog and poison the blood. So thoroughly does the poison permeate the system that every little scratch, cut or bruise inflames and festers. Everything about an old sore or ulcer suggests disease. They affect the general health, they require constant attention, and are a source of anxiety and trouble all the time, and in some cases highly offensive. There is danger, too, of these places becoming cancerous if not treated promptly and in the right way. Washes, salves and ointments are good for external use, but they can't stop the discharge or change the condition of the blood, and for this reason the sore never heals permanently.

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FROM CALF OF THE LEG TO ANKLE A SOLID SORE.

New Castle, Pa., July 29, 1903.

Three years ago a common boil appeared on the calf of my limb. Not yielding to simple home remedies, I consulted a physician, who prescribed a poultice, flax seed, supposedly. By some fearful mistake I was given corrosive sublimate, and after having it on for a few minutes I could endure the pain no longer, so took off the application and found that my limb from the calf to the ankle was in an awful condition. I immediately sent for another physician, who told me I had been poisoned. My limb from the calf to the ankle was one solid inflamed sore. I was advised to begin S. S. S., and improved rapidly under its use, but about this time I had an attack of typhoid fever, and this settled in the original sore. This, of course, caused a back set, but having confidence in the ability of S. S. S., I began it again as soon as I was over the fever, and to make a long story short, was completely and permanently cured. Two years have elapsed, and I have never had a return of the trouble. MRS. E. A. DUFFY, 214 W. Washington St.

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Artists' Anachronisms.

Some years ago there was exhibited in London a beautiful picture of an eighteenth century interior, perfect in every detail but one, for on a wall of the interior was a small picture of a very up to date locomotive, and in the same year the writer saw among the academy pictures a presentment of a cavalier, evidently waiting impatiently for his lady to keep the tryst, consulting a watch which would have done credit to a twentieth century watchmaker, while on another canvas a peninsular veteran, who was fighting his battles over again for the benefit of admiring rustics at the village inn, was wearing an unmistakable Victoria cross about forty years before this badge of valor came into existence.

In his magnificent picture in the Royal Exchange of scared Londoners escaping in boats from the horrors of the great fire of 1666 Stanhope Forbes introduced vessels of a type which, it is said, the Thames has never known and another artist of repute armed the children of Israel with guns, presumably for self protection, while they were occupied in gathering manna.—Stray Stories.

Policeman's Caution Wasted.

Just now the companions of a recent recruit to the police force are poking fun at him because of a remark he made a few nights ago when he found it necessary to arrest a very old offender. Arrived at the police station, he ushered the culprit in with the injunction to "mind the steps."

"G'lang with you!" said the prisoner scornfully. "I knowed these steps afore you was born!"—New York Press.

First Aid.

"Now," said the professor, "suppose you had been called to see a patient with hysterics—some one, for instance, who had started laughing and found it impossible to stop—what is the first thing you would do?"

"Amputate his funny bone," promptly replied the new student.—Houston Post.

The Great Drawback.

"Well, the statements they make against you aren't true," said the politician's wife. "Why don't you deny them?"

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In a Wreck.

One of the sufferers by a late railway accident was rushing wildly about, when some one asked if he was hurt. "No," he said, "but I can't find my umbrella."—Tit Bits.

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"Excellent," was the reply, "but in your case it seems a pity to waste the fish."—London Outlook.

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The President's Message.

As was very generally anticipated, the President's message to Congress, submitted to both houses Monday, is in large part devoted to the Panama Canal question. The President treats this subject vigorously and with notable straightforwardness. He declares, plainly, that his interpretation of the act of June 28, 1902 (the Spooner Act,) is that he was authorized and empowered to secure the requisite concessions, not merely from the republic of Columbia, but from the government having control of the isthmus. "When the Congress directed that we should take the Panama route under treaty with Columbia," he says, "the essence of the condition, of course, referred not to the government which controlled that route, but to the route itself; to the territory across which the route lay, not to the name which for the moment the territory bore on the map. The purpose of the law was to authorize the President to make a treaty with the power in actual control of the Isthmus of Panama. This purpose has been fulfilled."

The President expresses the opinion that the treaty of 1846, with the New Granada (then in control of the isthmus,) "vested in the United States a substantial property right, carved out of sovereignty and property which New Granada then had and possessed over the said territory." In the President's opinion, by virtue of the recent revolution, Columbia has ceased to own any property on the isthmus, and the republic of Panama had full power to negotiate the new canal treaty submitted to the Senate with the President's message. Various authorities are quoted in support of his position. A partial list of the various revolutions on the isthmus during the past fifty years is embodied in the message, and the President shows conclusively that Columbia of herself was unable to preserve order in the territory, and could not even have control of the isthmus had it not been for the assistance given by the United States under the treaty of 1846. The President says:

"In such circumstances the government of the United States would have been guilty of folly and weakness amounting in their sum to a crime against the nation, had it acted otherwise than it did when the revolution of November 3 last took place in Panama. This great enterprise of building the interoceanic canal cannot be held up to gratify the whims, or out of respect to the governmental impotence, or to the even more sinister and evil political peculiarities of people who, though they dwell afar off, yet, against the wish of the actual dwellers of the isthmus, assert an unreal supremacy over the territory. The possession of a territory frought with such peculiar capacity as the isthmus in question carries with it obligations to mankind. The course of events has shown that this canal cannot be built by private enterprise, or by any other nation than our own, therefore it must be built by the United States.

"Every effort has been made by the government of the United States to persuade Columbia to follow a course which was essentially not only to our interests and the interests of the world, but to the interests of Columbia itself. These efforts have failed; and Columbia, by her persistence in repulsing the advances that have been made, has forced us, for the sake of our own honor, and of the interest and well-being, not merely of our own people, but of the people of the Isthmus of Panama and the people of the civilized countries of the world, to take decisive steps to bring to an end a condition of affairs which had become intolerable. The new republic of Panama immediately offered to negotiate a treaty with us. This treaty I herewith submit.

"By it our interests are better safeguarded than in our treaty with Columbia which was ratified by the Senate at its last session. It is better in its terms than the treaties offered to us by the republics of Nicaragua and Costa Rica. At last the right to begin this great undertaking is made available. Panama has done her part. All that remains is for the American Congress to do its part and forthwith this republic will enter upon the execution of a project colossal in its size and of well-nigh incalculable possibilities for the good of this country and the nations of mankind."—L. A. Times.

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The next issue of the ARGUS will be a trade edition. It will be an interesting paper to send to your Eastern friends for Christmas. Place your orders early as when the edition is exhausted it will be impossible to secure more. Price 5c.

The large influx in eastern visitors during the past two weeks has again forced prominently to the attention of our citizens the necessity of building more houses, both for sale and rent. During the past few days over eighty arrivals have been noted from Illinois, Iowa and Kansas, and while some of these have stayed and located permanently, many have been compelled to go elsewhere, being unable to obtain house room. There is plenty of loose capital in Covina and it would be a good investment to circulate a little in the erection of houses for sale and rent.

Unfurnished rooms for rent.
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The Big Store has a barrel of Sorghum Molasses on tap. We get this direct from the cane fields and can vouch for its purity.

Samuel Jacobs and family recently from the East are now comfortably domiciled in the Hodges flats, San Bernardino road.

Brow & Son, the house furnishers, have just received a large consignment of mattresses and springs, for prices which will surprise you.

We have this year taken the entire output of olives from Mr. F. P. Harris. If you use olives, try these. They are not equaled any place at any price.
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Why pay rent? You can get money to build a home of your own, on easy terms, from the Covina Mutual Building & Loan Association. See J. H. Matthews, secretary.

Do you want Wellington coal for the winter? If so you can save money by placing your order within the next week with the Griffiths Bros. Milling Co.

The Argus was in error last week when it stated that Miss Mae Scoles paid $1875 for five lots on the Reynolds addition. It should have read $2375, or $475 a lot.

James Ross, a worthless young scamp had it brought forcibly to his mind this week that the way of the transgressor is sometimes hard. He was formerly a member of the Covina baseball team and when he left here several months ago he forgot to turn in his suit. This might have been placed to forgetfulness on his part, had he not removed the lettering on the shirt and otherwise mutilated the suit to destroy its identity. He was brought back from Long Beach, convicted of embezzlement and sent up by Justice Parker to serve a term of 90 days. The severity of the sentence was due to his unenviable record.

The newly elected officers of the Eastern Star, La Paloma Chapter, were installed into their respective stations on Tuesday evening. The installing officer was Mrs. F. E. Dudderar, assisted by Mrs. Heth, as Marshal. The work was excellent and reflected great credit upon these ladies. The ceremonies were of a semi-public character, invitations being issued to all Masons and their families. Following the installation refreshments were served in the banquet room and the balance of the evening was spent in general sociability, games, etc. The newly installed officers are: W. M., Mrs. Geo. Graham; W. P., F. M. Douglass; Asst. M., Mrs. A. Coltrin; Secretary, Mrs. F. E. Dunderar, Treasurer, B. S. Webb; Con. Mrs. Belle Harris; Asst. Con. Miss Mamie Douglass; Chaplain Mrs. B. S. Webb; Marshal, Mrs. [illegible] Douglass; Organist, Mrs. K[illegible] G. D. Shouse; [illegible] Ester, Mrs. [illegible] Clarence [illegible] Miss Mae Scoles; Watch[illegible] Mrs. Geo. Graham.

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C. H. Doughty of Los Angeles is the guest of his sister, Mrs. C. W. Tucker.

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Geo. St. Clair of Los Angeles is a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. F. Parker.

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H. M. Conray and wife of Santa Ana, moved to Covina yesterday to locate for the winter.

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Otis Dudderar of the firm of Dudderar Bros., spent the greater portion of the week at their Long Beach branch.

Young Peoples Christian Endeavor prayer meeting tomorrow evening, Dec. 13th, at 6:30 p. m. Subject: "An anti-worry meeting." John 14:1-31. Leader, Otis Dudderar.

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Grandma Heagley is very seriously ill at the residence of her son, Stephen C. Headley, on Cypress avenue. Owing to her great age her illness is causing a great deal of anxiety to hor relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Warner have spent the greater portion of the week in Covina, the guests of relatives. During his stay here Mr. Warner, who is an expert electrician, superintended the wiring of the Didier block.

McBride's real estate agency reports the sale this week of the I. R. Jordan ranch on the San Bernardino road, to M. H. Perry, a recent arrival from McPherson, Kansas. Mr. Perry and wife will take early possession of the property.

The Home Telephone Company of Covina received several cars of poles this week to be used on the Azusa extension. They commenced work on this new line on Monday. This company stands pre-eminently as the most successful local system installed in the State of California. The service they furnish their patrons cannot be excelled.

At a regular meeting of the Covina Rebekah Lodge No. 235, held on Friday evening last, the following officers were elected for the term commencing January 1st: F. G., Mrs. J. Baker; V. G., Mrs. J. D. Reed; Sec., Mrs. H. M. Faulder; Treas., Miss G. Smith, Trustee, Mrs C. Crouse.

Among the arrivals this week from the East was that prince of good fellows, Dave B. Levis, and his estimable wife, of Chicago, who are here to spend the winter at their beautiful home at the corner of Grand and Puente avenues. Mr. and Mrs. Levis spent the [illegible] in Europe, visiting London, [illegible], Antwerp, and the Ri[illegible] spite of all the charms of [illegible] they are delighted once [illegible] enjoying life at their California ranch home.

"Mother Goose," Friday, Dec. 18.

W. H. Matthews is confirned to his home with an attack of plurisy.

See D. B. Wilson's new rockers, center tables and rugs for Christmas.

Agents for Sherwin-Williams paints.
F. H. Fabrick.

30 acres barley land for hay for rent. Apply to L. M. La Fetra, Glendora.

A. T. Sidsted, ths school janiter, has been confined to his residence a portion of this week with la grippe.

Thomson & Fanset have gone into the spraying business. See them for prices.

Tomorrow morning Dr. Harcourt W. Peck will deliver one of his story sermons to children. Parents bring your children.

By using a "Sun Heater," price $2.50, you can heat your room on the coolest days with any ordinary oil lamp. For sale by F. H. Fabrick.

Andrew Ritcha, wife and family arrived last week from northeast Iowa to locate in California. They are at present located in the Crouse house.

Wellington Coal--- place your orders with us to be delivered from car. Rolled Oats are now 90 cents per sack.
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Our friend and reader of the Argus, F. H. Mason, former proprietor of the Covina harness shop, has moved with his family from Alhambra to 748 E. Twentieth street, Los Angeles, where Mrs. Mason will always be pleased to meet her Covina friends.

Services in Holy Trinity Church tomorrow. Celebration 7 a. m., morning prayer, 11 a. m. Subject of sermon, "The Finality of Christ's Religion." Evening prayer, 7:30, Subject of address "Confirmation." Special music at both services.

A. P. Kerckhoff, Dave B. Levis, E. H. Lahee and R. C. Pollard was a jolly party of local sportsmen who spent Thursday in the hills around Glendora quail shooting. The birds were scarce but the lunch which they took with them and enjoyed al fresco well compensated them for the trip.

L. H. Hill, of Alvarado, Texas, has been spending the week with his friends, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Pollard. For a number of years Mr. Hill has been engaged in the merchantile business and he is looking for an opening in Southern California. His wife and family is at present located in Santa Ana.

When you meet a man with a broad smile this week it is dollars to doughnuts that he is a member of the Covina High Land Citrus Union. This association has just paid to its growers the neat little sum of $7300 as a final rebate on last year's orange shipments. The actual running expenses of the house for the past season was 24c per packed box, a showing which reflects credit upon the association's manager, Mr. G. N. Atwood. On the matter of expense this is a best showing ever made by an association is Covina.

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Horse, cattle and poultry food and medicine at J. H. Matthews' Feed Store.

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Imperial Blend Coffee at Warner, Whitsel & Co. 25c per pound.

A large stock of Xmas cards has just been received at Clapp's Drug and Stationery Store.

For sale: to close an estate, 15 acres for $1600. 3 miles from Covina. Enquire of J. Viilinger. 1-2p.

You need props for those orange trees. The most reliable and satisfactory prop on the market is Woodward's for sale at Potter's Hardware.

J. F. Varina has opened a boot and shoe repair shop in the McBride building. He comes here well recommended as a competent workman.

Plain and fancy lamps, white and decorated dishes, chamber sets, anything you want in crockery at Warner, Whitsel & Co.'s.

Do you drive a Rubber Tire Buggy? J. N. Wilson, the blacksmith, has just installed a Goodyear Rubber Tire Setter. It does the work and does it right.

Just arrived at D. B. Wilson's store: New Rockers, Center Tables, Dressers, Chiffoniers, Combination Tables, Cupboards, Iron Beds, Springs, Mattresses, Shades, Curtain Poles, Matting, Rugs, etc. Call and select for Christmas. Holiday prices.

The hardware firm of F. H. Fabrick has sold to Samuel Fesler a Samson windmill, also a 2000-gallon galvanized iron tank. Dave B. Levis has also placed an order with the firm for a similar tank. These tanks are made in the tinning establishment at the rear of the hardware store.

The Argus is always pleased to be able to report evidences of growth and prosperity among our merchants. In this particular nothing is more striking than the steady increase in volume of trade being enjoyed by Robt. Crenshaw, proprietor of the Depot Restaurant and Grocery Store. To secure the necessary accommodation for his increasing business he has rented the large store room adjoining his old quarters in the Coolman Block into which he has moved his stock of groceries, giving him much needed additional room for his restaurant business. Mr. Crenshaw is an enterprising and genial fellow and well deserves the success which is his.

The values we give in coffee's are just as attractive as ever. More families are using our popular blends today than ever before. If they suit others they may suit you. The prices are right, 25c and 40c per pound.
Warner, Whitsel & Co.

We Aim at Quality in

Christmas Presents

Our selection of goods suitable for GIFTS has been made with the view of offering the people of the valley the Highest Quality obtainable.

Our stock includes a large assortment of HOLIDAY STATIONERY of the best manufacturers in the country.

Our line of PERFUMES from the laboratories of Rieger, Lazell, Lautier, Roger & Gallet, Piver, Ricksecker, &c, cannot be surpassed in elegance of appearance or delicacy of odor.

PERFUME ATOMIZERS and SPRINKLERS in sufficient variety to suit your taste.

Our LEATHER GOODS are strictly first-class and up-to-date. We have Purses, Pocket Books, Wrist Bags, Card Cases, Bill Books, Memorandum Books, and Cigar Cases in Seal, Morocco, Walrus, Kid and Calf.

Mirrors, Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes, Military Hair Brushes, etc., we have in large variesy.

Our WATERMAN FOUNTAIN PENS are guaranteed O. K

We carry a complete line of BASEBALL and other SPORTING GOODS at all times.

Don't forget to examine our stock before buying.

OUR PRICES ARE RIGHT.

..Clapp's Drug Store..

Trade Here

Not a thing over-priced and many under-priced. We are not expecting to make it all today. We want your confidence. You don't know how many really good things you can find here.

For Women

UMBRELLAS
LACE COLLARS
FANCY NECKWEAR
NOVELTY BASKETS
FANCY CHINA
KID GLOVES
FANCY BOXES
FANCY HOSIERY
PURSES SLIPPERS

Yarns

SCOTLAND FLOSS at 8⅓c
SAXONY 10c
GERMANTOWN, large skeins 10c
ICE WOOL 12½c

This store carries a full line of yarns, but it's impossible to match colors in other makers. In silk thread, embroidery silk and yarns each maker has his own colors. You can buy here as cheaply as in the city. Save yourself trouble by buying from us.

Dolge Felt Slippers

Fur trimmed Ladies' and Misses' Felt Slippers $1.50
Old Ladies' Felts $1.00

These are not the trash sold in the city stores at 98c.

Dolge Slippers Wear.

Xmas Leather Goods

Ladies' Burnt Leather Shopping Bags Fringed $2.00
Burnt Leather Wrist Bags, in brown and tan $1.25
Carved Leather Music Roll, best sole leather, special $2.50

Mens' Underwear

Light and heavy weight wool, the goods city stores advertise as special at $1.25, here $1.00.

Blcak Taffeta

36 inch Black Taffeta, wear guaranteed. City price $2.00, here $1.50. 27 inch $1.00.

Toys

Many special offerings. The first coast shipment of Starbuck's Hand Cars for children.

IT'S A SOURCE OF SOME SURprise to us why some of our good people who have property interests in Covina and who make their bread and butter here find it necessary to trade in Los Angeles. We presume some of them don't like the way the proprietor combs his hair and some don't like his necktie and others don't like some of his clothes and others again don't like his prices. Still we find that at some time or another most of these folks get around our way with an ax to grind. It's every body's right to spend their money where they please. Still this store was the first one in Covina to advertise and is today the best and carries the largest stock of its kind of any store in Southern California in a town of this size. We do not need to beg anybody for business as we carry a large enough stock and sell goods close enough to do business anywhere. We take some interest in our town and are ready with our money on any proposition that comes up. Being settled here we would like to see our town grow and would regret should some of our people make it a whistling past.

Seventeen years ago San Bernardino was a city larger than it is today and Redlands was a jack rabbit patch. Note the difference today. Its worth thinking about.

Special

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Wool Vests, white, regular $1.50 grade. See them $1.00
Cream and white Outing, 10c grade 5c
Twelve-quarter red cotton Blankets, good weight, well worth $1.25 ..... 95c

Special

offering in Lace Curtains, 3½ yards, good value at $3.00, at $2.00

Glove and Handkerchief boxes. Cuff and Collar Boxes.

For Men

MEN'S GLOVES
Fancy SUSPENDERS
FANCY SHIRTS
FANCY HOSIERY
HANDKERCHIEFS
TIES
SWEATERS

Boys' Clothing

SPECIAL SCHOOL SUITS, well made, serviceable, good as any city store, sells at $3.35 ..... $2.50

Boys' Shoes

A NEW PAIR IF NOT GOOD WEAR. A new proposition we have for you. We have faith in them and we are going to guarantee them $2.50

WE INCLUDE THE GIRLS in this also, 2½ to 6 ..... $2.50

We do not search the swill barrels of commerce for goods. We sell only goods with a known value.

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Real Estate and Insurance
First National Bank Building
COVINA, - CAL.

If you have a lot and desire to build I can furnish you money on easy terms.
I have some bargains in building lots, 60x175 ft., fine location.
Orange groves and business property.
All kinds of the best insurance.
Bonds furnished.
Open evenings by appointment.

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Blacksmithing of all Kinds
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Investigate New Method

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From Your Orchard. Simple, Effective, Harmless.

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Practical, Experienced Sprayers.

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I have only about 6000 Fine Navel and Valencia Stock left. Now is your chance to purchase at reasonable prices. Trees budded on three- and four-year-old roots—the largest and finest grade of stock in the valley. All trees true to name. Better prices if contracted early.

H. D. BLANCHARD, -:- Owner
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THE COVINA ARGUS

J. L. MATTHEWS, Publisher

Covina, Los Angeles County, California

It is easy to secure the world's good opinion if you have the price.

The average love match soon flickers out unless there is some money to burn.

Bulgaria has a chip on her shoulder, but it is doubtful if she has anything up her sleeve.

Geronimo's act in joining the Methodist Church may be looked upon more as a change of mind than a change of heart.

Dr. Wiley contends that all humanity is becoming bald. Still it is not advisable to invest all one's means in wig factories.

Alfred Austin has written a tragedy. The publishers confidently expect it to take rank with the best efforts of Messrs. Ade and Dooley.

When the U. S. army goes up against the football players of this country it will meet the fate that sooner or later comes to every champion.

The Chicago Inter Ocean declares that "graft has no politics." True; and they seem to be trying to fix things so politics will have no graft.

It is well that the Alaskan boundary question has come up when so many other things are going on. Few people are asking to have it explained to them.

It has at last been discovered what becomes of all the dropped "h's" in cockney dialect stories. They got into the Southern dialect stories in place of the "r's."

From the lawyers' point of view, the postoffice swindles are not very important. The grafters got only about $500,000, and that won't go far in the way of fees.

Peary is going to use the Marconi system on his next dash for the pole. He will thus be able to get his relief expedition started without the usual irritating delay.

That bull ring in Juarez was opened in the presence of 10,000—mostly Americans. Six bulls were tortured and several horses killed. These Latin races are sadly cruel and degenerate.

The European powers are quite sure that matters would not be improved if Turkey were to be forced out of business. If all the other powers over there are not strong enough to deal with Turkey and the Balkan disturbers, what would they do in a mix-up with the United States?

"We are coming more and more," remarks the leader of New York's "four hundred," "to have an aristocracy and a common people." And as we recall what Goldsmith said touching the common folk, about 99 per cent of us will be quite content to let the aristocracy represent the odd 1 per cent.

No one could have supposed that a company of girls would go out on strike because there were too many mirrors in their workroom. It has happened, however, in New York. The trouble was that the foreman had arranged the mirrors round his desk so that, without seeming to notice, he could see whether or not the girls were working steadily. When the device was called to the attention of the proprietor, he sided with the girls, and the strike was ended.

Russia is thorough when she is in earnest. The reparation which she has exacted from Turkey for the murder of her consul at Monastir included not only a money indemnity for the murdered man's family, but the apprehension and punishment of the assassin himself; the sentry who was present, but did not interfere; the sentry who was not present but should have been; the officer who placed the murderer on duty; the captain of his company and two Turkish officers, who were heard to speak disparagingly of the consul. It was evidently Russia's purpose to make the punishment so severe in this case that no more crimes of the sort would be committed.

Tailors seem content to remain supine and permit the dressmakers to hold all the dress conventions, but it will in time be made clear that in order to induce people to dress well and to make a broad breach in the multitudinous army of shabbiness there will need to be exhibitions of dressing. Contempt of good clothes is a weakness which it is to the tailor's interest to overthrow. No falser sentiment ever was disseminated than "Don't judge a man by his clothes." Carelessness of clothes is carelessness of character. Shabbiness goes with dirt and dirt goes with shiftlessness, and shiftlessness goes with a weak intellect and then you begin to get close to crime. A clean collar is an aid to integrity, and a new suit of clothes insures happiness for twenty-four hours. Twenty-four hours of happiness is not to be scoffed at with contempt in this [illegible] world.

Not content with eliminating the word "obey" from the marriage service, in imitation of examples that seem to have been unusually frequent of late, a Philadelphia bride threw someone and the conventions wholly aside and at the altar steps drew a "bill of rights" upon the groom and cowed the helpless creature into signing it then and there. This, it seems to us, is going too far, especially as the document as drawn was fiercely explicit in defining the wife's rights and the husband's duties and more fiercely mute as to the husband's rights and the wife's duties. Marriage, according to some opinions, is not the establishment of relations between two hostile powers with different interests, but the ceremonial announcement of reciprocal trust and amicability already formed not a treaty of peace, but a recognition of its existence. Why, therefore, a "bill of rights" for either party to the contract? Fortunately, the uselessness of the innovation will soon lead to its abandonment. The husband signed, because he was scared, but compulsory acquiescence is apt to be peculiarly impermanent, and to have a yearning for freedom in the near background. As much as wives have obeyed in the past because they promised to do so, so much will husbands observe the provisions of an agreement like this.

Said President Roosevelt in his address at Antietam's battlefield: "There was no patent device for securing victory by force of arms forty years ago, and there is no patent device for securing victory for the forces of righteousness in civil life to-day. In each case the all important factory was and is the character of the individual man." Those who have "methods" for mending or ending social and political evils would do well to reflect on the president's words. The plain truth is that the human race is neither made by its saints nor marred by its sinners, but is made or marred by its average men. Neither those whose righteousness is greatest nor those whose righteousness is least, either save or destroy the state directly. The latter destroy it only as they are able to influence the average man to be more sinner than saint, and the former save it only as they are able to influence the average man to be more saint than sinner. The great problems of American life to-day exist just because too much attention is given to the wishes of those who stand at the extremes of society and not enough to that great majority which stands in the middle and is composed of average men. Legislation, for instance, pays much attention to the welfare of the very rich, and of the very poor, but gives very little attention to the welfare of those who are neither rich nor poor. Thus we have an abundance of laws relating to and protecting organizations of capital, and, lately, too, to organizations of labor as such, but very few relating to the average men, who in the end pay the profits of organized capital and the wages of labor. In view of which it seems high time that more attention be given to the welfare of the average man, for in the end civilization must be advanced or put back, not by saint alone or sinner alone, but by the average man.

Slips.

It is a part of the seeming ill-luck belonging to circumstance that an artist may spend time and genius on a piece of work, and then fail conspicuously in some detail.

There is a story that one Royal Academician gave a hand five fingers and a thumb, and that another painted a live lobster red.

The clever Goodall had been engaged in painting a number of laborers dragging a huge stone across the desert, and a man of science, entering the studio, said to him:

"I say, Goodall, if you want those fellows to pull that stone, you must double their number. It would take just twice as many."

But it is not modern painters alone who slip up on points of accuracy. Even Albert Duerer, in a scene representing Peter denying Christ, painted one of the Roman soldiers in the act of smoking. Turner put a rainbow beside the sun, and in another picture he got wofully tangled in the ship's rigging.

One for the Farmer.

"Well," said Farmer Briggs to the artist, "how much will 'ee paint my farm with me standing at the door for?"

"Oh, five guineas," said the artist.

"Done," said the farmer. "Come tomorrow."

In due course the painting was finished. But, alas! the careless artist clean forgot to paint in the worthy farmer on the picture of his farm.

"Yes, I like it," said the farmer; "but where's me, lad—where's me?"

The error he had made flashed across the artist, but he tried to pass it off with a joke.

"Oh," he said, "you've gone inside to get my five guineas."

"Oh, have I?" said the nettled old chap; "p'r'aps I'll be comin' out soon, and if I dew I'll pay you. In the meantime we'll hang it up and wait."

Best of Reasons.

A man in public life noted for his happiness was under discussion in cabinet circles.

"There's one thing to be said in his favor, however," said Secretary Shaw, "and that is he never importunes the departments to get promotion for his friends."

"That's readily explained," commented Secretary Root. "He hasn't any friends."

Petroleum as Fuel.

Petroleum is the fuel of all the locomotives in Asia.

Nothing makes a husband quite so mad as for another man to try to flirt with his wife in his presence.

PRESIDENT LOUBET AT HOME.

Life of France's Uncrowned King at Work and at Play.

President Loubet is in every way a self made man, who, although the son of a small vineyard owner, has risen to be the first citizen of France, says London Tit-Bits.

He is undoubtedly a man of method and a hard worker. At half-past 5 in the morning he is out of bed, summer and winter, and at 6 is at his desk, after having taken a cup of coffee and a well baked roll. He works steadily by himself until 7, when his three secretaries join him with the morning's post, which consists of from 700 to 1,200 letters. These are opened by his secretaries, and such as require official replies are read to the president, who dictates the answers to a shorthand writer.

At 8 he retires for breakfast alone with Mme. Loubet. This is invariably a plain meal, the president having no taste for the elaborate dishes for which his country is famous. The meal over he hurriedly scans the morning papers and at 9 o'clock returns to his desk to finish his correspondence.

At 12 o'clock lunch is served, and by this time his correspondence is complete. The president allows himself one hour for the midday meal and then is at work again, this time attending some state function or receiving the many visitors who call upon him. Dinner is ready at 7 o'clock to the minute and is served in the lofty dining room at the Elysee, overlooking the luxurious grounds. The president has a great dislike to dining out and prefers to be alone at the evening meal with his wife, unless some guest has been honored with an invitation. Here again the fare provided is very plain and seldom consists of more than three courses.

The rest of the evening the president devotes to his own amusement, and either goes to the opera or spends the time at home in reading, playing the piano, or in a quiet game of billiards. He is passionately fond of music and has composed several pieces of merit, and sings well; Mme. Loubet likewise being a proficient musician. He is also a student of French and English standard literature, and it is interesting to know that he is a great admirer of Shakespeare, Milton and Dryden. Not many people can recite "Paradise Lost" from end to end, but President Loubet is said to be one of them.

He entertains little and is not fond of society of any kind. He is, however, a great believer in the annual holiday and when he shakes the dust of Paris from off his feet usually visits his old home at Montelimar, or goes shooting over his well-stocked coverts at Rambouillet. He is a splendid shot and when clad in his shooting jacket of dark gray, with leather gaiters and peaked cap, appears the man of the people he unquestionably is. He is also a pugilist of some skill and often spends an hour with the gloves in friendly contest with an old acquaintance.

The president is not a rich man, but the quiet life he leads is in keeping with his means. He receives £24,000 a year for his services to the state—not an exorbitant amount, considering the power he wields and the extent of the country over which he has to rule. But, as he once remarked: "I have no wish to be rich. I only want to be happy, and as I have happiness I know no further ambition."

General Utility Article.

Peddler (opening his pack)—I have here, madam, an improved rat-trap, which——

Woman of the House—We are never troubled with rats.

"Which can also be used for cracking nuts——"

"We never use nuts of any kind."

"Or as a coffee roaster. Adjusted in this manner, it——"

"We always buy our coffee roasted."

"Just so. Reversing the wires that form the upper portion, and bringing down the side flaps, thus, we have a device for holding eggs when cooking——"

"We never eat eggs."

"And by folding these wire loops, as you see me doing now, it makes a handy arrangement for holding a small mirror——"

"Haven't the slightest use for such a thing."

"While, by adjusting another small mirror in this position, and another at this angle, as you will notice, and placing it in a kitchen window, for example, it has the curious effect of enabling the observer, seated at one side of the window and entirely out of sight, to see distinctly through any window that may be opposite, and to note what is going on inside, and all I ask for this most useful and comprehensive invention is 75 cents, which is about one half——"

"I'll take it."—New York News.

Only a Few Real Criminals.

My experience gained by close contact with the men in our prisons during the last seven years had convinced me that but a small percentage of the 80,000 now within prison walls should be called criminals at heart. In this statement I have been endorsed by wardens who have had [illegible]

[illegible]

SLEEP SONG.

Press close, dear head, against my breast,
Forget to sigh and weep;
My love shall lull your soul to rest—
Then sleep, my dear one, sleep.

Down droop, sweet eyes, your lashes wet
(My eyes the watch will keep):
Shut out the long day's care and fret,
And sleep, my dear one, sleep.

Fold, tired hands, the day is done,
And fast the shadows creep;
Dream not of battles lost nor won,
But sleep, my dear one, sleep.
—Washington Post.

BEATING ABOUT THE BUSH

"WHY didn't ye ever marry, Mr. Parker? If you'd a' taken a wife ten years ago ye'd a' had a nice family now instead of livin' alone on yer fine farm."

"I came very near marryin' onet, Sally. I mismanaged the thing at the start."

"How's that?"

"I was workin' fur Mr. Noble at the time, and one day he said to me, says he: 'Parker, I wish ye'd git married, 'cause a woman would be handy about the place. I don't mean a servant; one to call on occasionally for a job.'

"I was jest a startin' out to trim the hedge and stood with the shears in my hand thinkin' on what he'd said.

"'I reckon that's a good idee, Mr. Noble,' I tole him, 'an idee that's occurred to me quite frequent of late. Fact is, thur's a young gal I been thinkin' of askin' to marry me fur sometime.'

"'Have you done any courtin'?' he asked.

"'Why, no, I hain't no good at courtin' nohow. Anybody marries me 'll hev to do it without courtin'.'

"'Well, Parker, in some cases where practical women are concerned I don't know but it's just as well to tell yer story offhand as to beat about the bush. Who's the girl?'

"'The young schoolteacher that started in last fall—Miss Field.'

"'What!' he says, surprised like. 'Miss Field?'

"'Yes,' I says. 'D'ye think she's too good fur me?'

"'She's the one to decide that, Parker. It wouldn't be right fur me to express an opinion. The only way ye can do is to put the case to her and let her tell ye herself.'

"He went into the house lookin' sort o' queer, and I worked on the hedge all day. Then evenin' I concluded to try my luck with the schoolteacher. So I puts on my store clothes and starts roun' to Deacon Weeks', where she was boardin'. The twilight was still on, and she was a sittin' on the porch all alone. Thur was a smell o' roses in the air and a half moon in the sky. She was a-readin' a book, but when she see me she laid it down and give me a welcomin' smile.

"'How d' do, Mr. Parker?' she said, with the sweetest voice in the world.

"I stood kind o' awkward-like, and to help me on she asked who I'd come to see, and when I tole her I'd come to see her she asked me to sit down. Then, rememberin' what Mr. Noble said about not beatin' round the bush, I begun.

"'Miss Field,' I said, 'I was a-talkin' with Mr. Noble 'bout my takin' a wife. He thinks one 'd be handy 'bout the place. He advised me to go right to the girl I wanted and tell her. I tole him that you was my choice, but that I thought you might be too good fur me. He said you was the one to decide that.'

"Fust off she turned sort o' pale; then the color come rushin' up into her cheeks. 'Cur'as,' I thought, 'how some women'll be taken aback by anything sudden.' After all, it might 'a' been better to 'a' done a little previus beatin' 'bout the bush.

"'I hope I hain't said nothin' that I shouldn't 'a' said,' I stammered.

"'Not at all,' she answered me, gatherin' herself together. 'You have paid me a very high compliment, but I confess I don't like Mr. Noble's taking it upon himself to instruct you in the affair.'

"'I'm sorry I mentioned him.'

"'There's no harm done. After all, Mr. Noble has nothing to do with the matter; nothing at all. You have made me a proposition and are entitled to an answer. You can tell Mr. Noble, who has thought proper to attempt to secure me for a handy person, that a previous'

"'I thought ye said Mr. Noble had nothin' to do with it.'

"'You're right; so he hasn't. Well, then, while I feel very highly complimented, I must decline your proposition. I shall always think of you kindly and remember how you have honored me.'

"Then I went away. I was dead certain that I'd made her mad by bringin' in Mr. Noble. After all, that was beatin' about the bush. The next mornin' as he was drivin' out o' th' place I tole him I'd done the job. He pulled in and asked me all about it. I repeated what we said as well as I could remember and [illegible] I'd made a mistake by bringin' [illegible] into it.

"'Perhaps you did, Parker,' he said, after listenin' to it all mighty interested, 'but since the lady has no [illegible] attachment that would [illegible] you anyway.'

"He drove off lookin' mighty [illegible]. Fact is he seemed to [illegible] as bad 's if he'd made it himself. I'd seen 'em more or less together that spring, but never ag'in till the next fall. Then I see 'em walkin' down by the river side. Mr. Noble was a bendin' over her and talkin' mighty earnest, while she was lookin' the other way.

Don't get your image needle sharp; remember that the lens only looks at nature with one eyes while you view it with two, consequently your vision is entirely different from what the camera gives.

Stand in front of a tree and look steadily at it with both eyes, and you will find that the outlines on both sides are slightly diffused, whereas by closing one eye the edges become much sharper. This arises from the fact that your eyes represent two points of vision at some distance apart, the right eye being able to see a little further round the right of the trunk than the left eye, and it is from this fact, from the blending of the two visions into one, that objects in nature appear in relief.

Aerial perspective is the effect that we see when viewing nature with both eyes. Try the experiment of looking at any object with one eye only, and you will see the same effect exactly as is produced by a sharp photograph.

To go to the extreme, and blur every line and tone together until they are all mixed up in one unintelligible tangle, is, if anything, more atrocious than minute sharpness; and the result, viewed from any distance, is decidedly unpleasing, and has the appearance of smudginess—all the beauties of nature, all her sublime devices to make everything pleasing to the eye are thereby entirely obliterated, and unless we can produce by the aid of the camera some, at least, of those delicate half-tones, the photograph will be anything but a representation of nature; no photograph should be diffused more than will just soften the outlines or the edges of the tones.

Photography at best is but a very poor medium by which to reproduce nature, and we should therefore endeavor to use it in its best form; that is, to take photographs as near as possible to what we see, not what the lens gives us. Except from an architectural or from a topographical point of view, it is certainly wrong to reproduce every leaf on a tree or every brick in a building. You cannot see them. Therefore why seek to produce them on your negative? Unless photographers generally reform their cast-iron conservatism in this respect, photography can never aspire to become one of the fine arts, but must ever remain on the same level as the commercial trades.—Photo Times-Bulletin.

"'He's tryin' to undo what he done fur me as well as himself,' I said. 'Mebbe he'll fix it up, and I'll have another chance. Next time, you bet, I won't go beatin' 'bout the bush.'

"That winter I left Mr. Noble, havin' bought a farm, and didn't see him or Miss Field for two years. Then I found 'em married.

"Now, I've tole you how I blundered once before. I ain't goin' to beat 'bout the bush again. Sallie, will ye marry me?"

"Yes, I will."—Indianapolis Sun.

FISHERMAN'S LUCK.

Whims Exhibited by Perch and Pickerel in a Sullivan County Lake.

"The unaccountable things that fish do, whether it is whim or suspicion that prompts them, are an unending source of wonder to the observant angler," said one of that guild.

"With a companion, a young man who had never fished for either perch or pickerel in his life before, I once went to a well-known pickerel water in Sullivan County. It was in midsummer, and we still fished with live minnows, I from one side of the boat and my companion from the other side.

"There are perch in that water, and big ones. The fish bit fairly well, but, while my fellow fisherman caught pickerel, not a thing but perch would come to my hook.

"This peculiar division of catch showing no sign of changing, we changed places in the boat, as I wanted to land a pickerel or two before we quit, and didn't see any way to do it except by fishing at the spot where they seemed alone to be. You may imagine my amazement, then, when the first fish I caught was a perch and my companion still caught pickerel.

"After he had caught three big ones and I had landed half a dozen perch I suggested that we exchange rods and see if that would make any difference. To my joy I soon hooked and got into the boat the biggest pickerel that had been taken all day, and my companion surprised himself by catching his first perch.

"'I can't understand it,' I said, 'but your tackle seems to suit the pickerel better than mine, and mine seems to be the choice of the perch, although there is not the slightest difference between rods, lines, hooks or bait.'

"But that wasn't what ailed the fish at all, as I soon found out, for instead of now having my expected sport with pickerel, not another one gave me even so much as a nibble, and the perch ignored my companion's hook, although we fished faithfully for an hour.

"Fish often quit biting thus abruptly, and I perhaps would have put this down as an ordinary case of this kind, notwithstanding the odd result of the changed rods, if, when I handed my friend his rod and told him we might as well reel in and go home, he hadn't immediately dropped the minnow in on the side where the perch had been biting, and soon had a pickerel in tow. And when I put my bait in where only pickerel had been biting I promptly hooked and landed a perch!

"'That'll be enough,' said I. 'We'll go home!'

"And we paddled up and went home."—New York Sun.

BRAVE YAQUI WOMEN.

They May Now Pose as the Spartans of America.

In some respects the Yaqui Indian women of Northern Mexico are peerless throughout the world. A generation ago Gen. Sherman said that the Yaquis were the Spartans of America. Had he lived till now he might have added that the wives and daughters of the Yaquis are the modern Amazons, for the women of that Indian tribe are active participants in the interminable warfare that the Yaquis wage against the Mexican soldiery.

Here is a bit of a recent official statement made by Surgeon Jose Batiste Alvarado, of Guaymas, Mexico, to Gen. Torres, commander of the third zone in the republic:

"Five Yaqui women soldiers captured by the Mexicans were in the public hospitals on the outskirts of Guaymas last month. Each had a gunshot wound. None uttered complaint at any time, no matter what her suffering might be. One woman's hand was half shot away, the result of a bullet wound two years ago. She said she had gone back to her husband in the Yaqui camp as soon as the hand healed, and that she would stick to her share in the war with Mexico until she was killed. One of the women in the hospital died with blood poisoning from a saber cut in the head. I amputated one young Yaqui woman soldier's leg at the knee."

This statement, simple and brief as it is, outlines significantly the heroic part played by the feminine members of the great Yaqui tribe in its rebellion against the authority of President Diaz in Mexico. Down among the lonely canyons and across the yellow, sandy wastes of Sonora and Chihuahua, Mexico, tragedies told by the rurales and army officers testify to the marvelous daring and physical endurance of the Yaqui women, whose one idea in life is to die with their faces to the Mexican foe. The principles that fire the blood in their veins to murderous heat is as precious to their savage breasts as that which has urged any people to fight against a dictating and encroaching power. They refuse to have their abiding places chalked out by hated hands upon the land that was their own for centuries, and for possession of which they have fought since that day that Cortez came.

In every camp of Mexican soldiers veracious anecdotes are related of women, who, leaving their rude homes, have gone among the gulches and mountain passes to risk their lives by shot and shell, to endure the awful privations of war and to shoot and slay Mexicans, just as their fathers and brothers and husbands are doing. Daily the Mexican army officers tell of Yaqui girls who have been drilled in the work of a soldier from their early youth, and who have looked upon a soldier's life as a sacred duty in defense of ancient tribal rights.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Celt and German in America.

Seventy-five per cent of our foreign born population in 1900 was of Teutonic and Celtic stock—the very same that made the English. Of course, a still larger percentage of the native born are of these races and of their admixture. It is an error, then, to talk of the American people as a conglomeration of races. There is an American race, formed by fusion of the original races that made the English.

He Was Satisfied.

"I met a half witted fellow down on Long Island last summer," said Attorney David Rockmore. "He was going along talking to himself. I stopped him and asked him why he talked when he was alone. 'Well,' he replied, 'there are two reasons. I like to talk to a smart man, and I like to hear a smart man talk.'"

An Arctic Bonanza.

Rachel—That famous explorer has gone off for the North Pole again.

Becky—Yes; I believe he's found it, and won't let on.

CHANGES IN LAND LAWS

WILL SEEK TO SAVE LAND TO ACTUAL SETTLERS

One Purpose is to Head Off the Attempts Being Made to Pass Bills in the Interest of Speculators and Syndicates

Washington—President Roosevelt has actively intervened in what has promised to be a serious fight over the repeal or amendment of the public land law and has appointed a commission of experts to help devise remedial legislation which he will later embody in a special message to congress. He has named as members Land Commissioner W. A. Richards, chief of the reclamation service; F. H. Newell, and Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot.

The commission has been requested to recommend needed changes in the organization, laws, regulations and practice affecting public lands, first to effect the largest practicable disposition of public lands to actual settlers who will build homes on them, and second, most effective use of the resources of public lands and generally to study the allied questions. The members are directed to report as early as the nature of their duties will permit.

One purpose of this commission will be to head off such bills as Hansbrough and McCumber have introduced. The former would, it is claimed, throw open all segregated irrigation tracks to entry by holders of lieu scrip, while McCumber's bill, which seeks to confine the expenditure of irrigation funds to the state from the sale of whose public lands the funds raised, would put an immediate end to Arizona, and other projects whose public land sales are small.

BECOMES A PIRATE

Gunboat Bogota Captures Two British Merchantmen

San Francisco—The little gunboat which left here October 7, 1902, for Panama to sweep the seas of all the enemies of the Colombian government, is to become the prey of United States men-of-war.

Advices received here from an officer on the cruiser Boston at Panama say the cruiser had just returned form a three days' search for the Bogota, which had been declared a pirate and was much wanted by the new Republic of Panama and the American warships.

On November 5, when Panama hoisted her flag, the Bogota, controlled by the Colombians, hastily weighed anchor and after firing on the city, put for the open sea with the Padilla, her old enemy in hot pursuit. The Padilla was not the equal of the Bogota and was soon distanced.

The Bogota, according to the last accounts, is believed to be near Panama bay, for reports have been received that the vessel had captured two English merchants vessels. A reward of $50,000 for the capture of the Bogota was offered by the British government. The gunboat is disowned by the Colombian government, which sees in her acts of piracy, no end of trouble.

It will not be long before the Bogota will be captured, as she will be obliged to put into some port for coal or supplies.

"Corn Planter Medal"

Chicago—Prof. Frederick Starr of the University of Chicago has had a silver medal struck which he offers to any person in the United States who each year most distinguishes himself in research work among the American Indians. The medal is to be called the "Corn Planter medal," in honor of Chief Corn Planter, a great Indian chief and head of the Longhouse, the great council of the Five Nations. Professor Starr is having six of the medals made, which he will present to the six most prominent workers in Indian research at the present time. Hereafter the medal will be awarded annually.

Growth of Cotton

Washington—Preliminary returns to the chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture indicate that the actual growth of cotton in the United States in the year 1903-04 will amount to 9,962,039 bales of an average net weight of 490.8 pounds. The area picked or to be picked, is estimated at 28,109,860 acres, a reduction of 892,195 acres, or 3.09 per cent of the acreage planted. The total production of lint cotton is estimated at 4,889,796,267 pounds, an average of 174.5 pounds per acre.

Sails With Thirteen Brides Aboard

San Francisco—The transport Logan has sailed for Manila via Honolulu and Guam. She carried the officers and men of the Twentieth infantry, sixty eight marines and thirty five passengers and 3000 tons of supplies. Among the Logan's passengers were thirteen brides, all married to army officers within a year, and nine of them within the last two months.

IS ON BLOODY SOIL.

DEDICATION OF A MONUMENT ON FIELD OF ANTIETAM.

Shaft Recalls the Story of That Desperate Engagement Between Generals McClellan and Lee—President Roosevelt in Attendance.

Forty-one years ago the bloody battle of Antietam, between the Confederate forces under Gen. Robert E. Lee and the Union troops under Gen. George B. McClellan, was fought on the soil of Maryland. In commemoration of the part taken in the engagement by the troops of New Jersey a monument was recently erected by that commonwealth, and dedicated in the presence of President Roosevelt, who delivered an address.

The battle was one of the bloodiest conflicts of the war. After the defeat of the army of the Potomac in the seven days' fighting along the Chickahominy the Confederates resolved upon an invasion of Maryland. The seven days' fighting had been highly encouraging to the Confederates, and correspondingly depressing to the Union side. The Federals had lost in those battles a total of 20,000 killed, wounded and prisoners, 52 pieces of artillery, 35,000 stand of arms and immense quantities of military stores. What was still more discouraging, the magnificent army of McClellan had been pushed back to the James river. This situation thoroughly aroused the government at Washington. Two orders were issued in quick succession, each calling for 300,000 fresh troops, and within the brief period of three months 600,000 men were raised, armed and placed in the field.

Washington being theatened by the invasion of Maryland, measures for its further protection were adopted. The commands of Gens. Banks, Fremont and McDowell were combined and placed under Maj. Gen. John Pope. McClellan's army at Harrison's Landing and Burnside's corps, which was awaiting orders in Hampton Roads, were ordered to re-enforce Pope. The latter had then under him a splendidly equipped army of 100,000 men, and proudly made the boast that he would soon capture Richmond. In quick succession the Confederates met and defeated him at Cedar Mountain, Bull Run and Chantilly, crossed the Potomac, near Leesburg, and concentrated their forces at Frederick.

During his brief campaign Pope had lost 30,000 men, 8 generals killed, 30 pieces of artillery and 20,000 stand of arms. The Confederate loss was 9,000 men and 5 generals.

Pope was promptly relieved of his command and McClellan was again made commander of the army of the Potomac. McClellan, after reorganizing the broken forces turned over to him by Pope, moved out to give battle to Gen. Lee. The right wing was commanded by Burnside, the center by Sumner, and the left by Franklin. Lee retired from Frederick and took up a strong position in front of Sharpsburg, with his front protected by Antietam creek.

Battle of Antietam.

On the afternoon of September 15 the Union forces took up their position in front of the Confederates, the Antietam creek separating the two armies. A heavy cannonading by the Federals opened the proceedings the following day, and in the afternoon Gen. Hooker's corps was sent by McClellan to force a passage across the Antietam, at the extreme right of one of the four stone bridges spanning the stream. Hooker crossed by the upper bridge, beyond the range of Confederate fire, and was soon engaged with the Confederate left under Hood. He forced the latter back and, being re-enforced during the night by Mansfield's corps, was thus in good position to resume operations the next day.

The struggle opened early in the morning of the 17th with the Confederates, some 65,000 strong, occupying their old position. The aggregate strength of the Union forces was 85,000 men. Hooker's and Mansfield's corps, 18,000 strong, were on the Confederate side of the stream, with Sumner's corps ready to follow. The rest of the Union forces had not crossed the Antietam.

Hooker opened the battle and succeeded in forcing the Confederates' left wing, commanded by Jackson, back a half a mile. Re-enforcements were hurried to Jackson's aid, and the Union troops were hurled back to their position of the morning. Sumner's corps now engaged the enemy a little to the left of Hooker, and gradually pressed back the Confederates. The latter, receiving re-enforcements, made a desperate counter attack, and Sumner met the same fate as Hooker, being hurled back to the Antietam.

The scene now changed to the extreme Union left, where the corps of Burnside and Porter were stationed. Burnside had orders to cross the Antietam by a stone bridge, all the approaches to which were commanded by the Confederate fire. He suffered heavily in attempting to reach the bridge, and seeing the futility of further sacrifice sent a force further down the creek to try and find a ford. This force succeeded in gaining the Confederate side of the stream, thus creating a diversion which enabled him to send the main body of his force across the river by the bridge. After reforming his lines Burnside charged the Confederates and forced back the Confederate right for several hundred yards. He was in turn defeated and driven back, like the other corps, to the banks of the Antietam. Night ended the struggle, leaving both armies confronting each other on the west bank of the creek. On the 18th McClellan remained on the defensive, arranging his forces, which had been re-enforced by two strong divisions. He was to have attacked on the 19th, but meantime Gen. Lee retired, recrossed the Potomac river and took up a strong position in Virginia.

McClellan's loss was 2,010 men killed and 9,416 wounded and 1,043 missing a total of 12,469. The Confederate loss is estimated at 9,000 in killed, wounded and missing.

UNDER A HAIL OF CONFEDERATE LEAD AT ANTIETAM.

BEAR BLOCKED HIS PATH.

Man Was Willing to Give Bruin the Whole Log, but He Couldn't.

Conductor Dave Houston, of the Southern Pacific Railroad, who is taking a ten days' vacation at Seaside, had a thrilling experience with a big bear which he will not soon forget. He only told a few of the incidents, as he desired to keep it quiet, but the story leaked out. Conductor Houston is a great fisherman, and never lets an opportunity slip to cast the line. He had hardly got settled at the seaside when he went out on the Necanicum river to have a fish all by himself. He made his way through the brush until he came to a log, one end of which projected out into the creek. "That's the very place," thought the conductor, and, adjusting his line and pole, he crept out on the log, where he found himself perched above the cool water of Necanicum creek. Houston lighted his tried and trusty pipe and then cast his line. He fished and smoked perhaps an hour without getting a bite.

Suddenly there was a movement in the bushes back of him, and then he felt the log he was sitting on tremble. Instinctively the conductor turned around, when to his amazement he gazed into the face of a big black bear. The latter seemed to be sizing him up and estimating how much of a meal the conductor would make, and whether he would "scrap" when it came to the point. For the conductor there seemed no escape. The bear sat complacently on the shore end of the log, and it was not possible for Conductor Houston to get past the monster. The bear held him there for several hours before a hunter came along and killed the animal. The bear weighed 250 pounds when dressed. Conductor Houston now has a few more gray hairs in his head as a result of his experience. Portland Oregonian.

Oriental Jugglery.

An eye-witness of a celebrated feat of oriental jugglery tells the following story of what he thought he saw a band of Indian fakirs accomplish:

"They produced a chain seventy-five feet in length, and in my presence threw one end of it toward the sky, where it remained as if fastened to something in the air. A dog was then brought forward and, being placed at the lower end of the chain, immediately ran up and, reaching the other end, disappeared in the air. In the same manner a hog, a panther, a lion and a tiger were successively sent up the chain, and all disappeared at the upper end. At last they pulled down the chain and put it in a bag, no one ever discovering in what manner the different animals were made to vanish."

Fate of Eiffel Tower.

Paris' Eiffel tower will stand for only a few years longer. A commission appointed to decide on the uses to which the Champ de Mars shall be put has ordered that the tower be torn down at the end of the concession, which expires in 1910.

An Easy Scheme.

"Bracer says he's trying to save his money now."

"I guess that's why he's borrowing his friends' money from them." Philadelphia Ledger.

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The most famous Philippine volcano and one of the finest volcano cones in the world is that of Mayon. Its height is 8,970 feet, and the volcano is visible at a great distance. Since 1766 records have been kept of its eruptions. In that year many plantations and villages were buried under a stream of lava which flowed down its eastern slope. About 1,200 lives were lost in the eruption of 1814, which buried the country around a part of the base of Mayon under the outpourings of lava and dust. A similar calamity in 1825 destroyed the lives of about 1,500 persons. In the nineteenth century there were a number of severe eruptions, including one in 1886-87 which continued about nine months. An eruption in 1897 killed 350 persons and destroyed much property. Twenty-two violent eruptions of this volcano are on record.

Next to Mayon the Taal volcano is the most remarkable. It is on an island in the lake of Bombon, and the island, built up by its outpourings, has an area of 220 square miles. The volcano is incessantly ejecting dust and vapor from its crater. Taal, as well as Mayon, has been the center of numerous destructive earthquakes, but no very great eruption has occurred since 1864, when four villages around the mountain were completely destroyed. Bulletin of American Geographical Society.

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Irwindale.

"Mother Goose," Friday, Dec. 18.

Water is king, and the citizens of Irwindale and vicinity propose to have no scarcity of it. M. Nobham is preparing to sink a well on the 40 acres he has purchased of the Workman ranch, northeast of Bassett. He will install a No. 6 Centrifugal pump with a capacity of 150 miner's inches; also a 25 horse power gasoline engine.

See the fine lemonade sets in the window at Warner, Whitsel & Co's. They make an elegant Christmas present.

Mrs. Tom McDonald, the Southern Pacific agent, informs us that she has been notified to expect a gang of carpenters to add a waiting room to the station for the use of the public. At present there is nothing but an open shed.

For stone jars, milk crocks, bean pots, crockery of all kinds go to Warner, Whitsel & Co.

The Irwindale Citrus Association is installing a Rabwin grader with the overhead system. This will give the house about three times its former capacity. A box carrying belt is also being added to the plant. Box makers are now busily engaged making 3000 picking boxes. The management estimates the output of the house for the coming year at 130 carloads.

If you like sugar syrup try the Panocha drips. It is the finest thing put up in cans.

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J. O. Houser, Superintendent of the Covina Home Telephone Company, with a force of men was in the settlement Monday putting in several phones. C. D. Leech has had his residence attached to the system.

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Mr. Dave Maxfield and wife are entertaining their uncle, O. L. Maxfield, from the northern part of the state.

C. H. Coffman is still shipping two crates of strawberries a day.

E. E. Leech is busy digging potatoes. His crop will amount to 800 sacks.

"Mother Goose," Friday, Dec. 18.

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L. D. Woodworth Jr., and Homer Hostettler have purchased a Stearn's spraying outfit.

Mrs. L. D. Copeland, of Los Angeles, has been visiting with E. R. Coffman.

Miss Phoebe Brown is still visiting in Los Angeles. She is expected home Sunday.

Why not try buckwheat cakes and maple syrup these mornings. You get the best in the land of Warner, Whitsel & Co.

GLENDORA.

J. W. Yost, Ernest B. Owens, Ed Humphrey and party returned Monday after an extended trip to Imperial and near by places. They report a fine trip and a favorable impression of the Imperial section of the country.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. M. La Fetra entertained a few days this week the Rev. Wilcomb and daughter of Los Angeles.

Mr. Garrison and wife of Oregon are guests of W. B. S. Lewis.

Mrs. J. Barker and daughter Hattie Baker have moved to Azusa.

W. B. Cullen returned home Monday after spending two weeks doing assessment work on his mining claim out on the desert.

Order your bread, cake, pies, fruit cake, etc., from Warner, Whitsel & Co.'s. We sell only one grade, the best.

Miss Calla Harshman of Compton was a guest of Miss Irene La Fetra Sunday.

Mr. Linbery, wife and son Fay arrived here Sunday from Dodge City, Kansas, and have rented the John Needham cottage on Michigan avenue.

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Dr. Bosserman and wife visited friends in Los Angeles a few days this week.

B. F. Taylor has sold his orange orchard to a gentleman from Cuba.

Loman Sneeling of Michigan is a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. R. Roberts.

Mrs. T. Russell is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Braddy.

Mr. W. H. Merricks, wife and daughter Fay arrived here Monday from Indiana. They have occupied the A. C. Stower cottage.

"Mother Goose," Frid. y, Dec. 18.

Chas. Ragan departed for Joplin, Mo., Monday, where he was called on business.

Chas. Smith was thrown with such violence against a seat in a street car on which he had taken passage in Los Angeles last Friday that two of his ribs were broken and as a result he was confined to his bed for several days.

Harry Martin sustained a fractured bone in the left forearm as the consequence of being hit by a misdirected ball while playing ball at Azusa last Sunday.

"Mother Goose," Friday, Dec. 18.

Miss Trostle and brother William have returned home after a prolonged visit with friends in Iowa and Ohio.

Mrs. D. E. Mathias visited friends in Lordsburg a few days this week.

The first annual meeting of the Glendora board of trade was held Monday night at the town hall, at which permanent officers were elected as follows: President, C. E. Whitcomb; vice-president, C. A. Weaver; secretary, R. B. Bidwell; treasurer, F. E. Odell. A board of directors was elected, appropriate committees were appointed and a hearty co-operation on the part of all the members was promised to make a united effort to build up Glendora and vicinity.

Rev. G. T. Welcome and daughters, of Los Angeles, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. La Fetra.

Sale of Nursery Stock.

In the matter of Jno. R. King, bankrupt; in bankruptcy on the 4th day of December, A. D., 1903.

By virtue of an order issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Southern District.

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned up to and including the 16th day of December, 1903, for all the right, title and interest of the said Jno. R. King, bankrupt, in and unto a certain nursery stock situated on the ranch of A. E. Davis, about two miles south of the town of Glendora, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Said interest consists of an undivided one-half interest in and to said nursery stock, comprising about 7000 budded orange trees under one year old on two year old roots; also 2379 seedling roots in nursery (recently budded), two years old.

Said interest is subject to the following agreements and sales heretofore made by the said bankrupt, to-wit:

1st. An agreement to deliver from the whole of said nursery stock 1000 trees to W. G. Hall.

2nd. Sales aggregating 1610 of said budded trees from the share of said bankrupt, heretofore made by him.

3rd. Subject to the terms of an agreement made and entered into by said bankrupt with the said A. E. Davis in regard to the planting out and subsequent care and management of said nursery by said bankrupt, which said agreement requires him to plant out and fully care for, and perform all work on said nursery, until such time as the trees are fit for market, upon which there was due to A. E. Davis up to Sept. 30, 1900, the sum of $177.95.

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Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 14th day of December, 1903, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and will be sold on the 4th day of January, 1904, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., at the office of the corporation, San Dimas, California, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with cost of advertising and expense of sale.

B. M. GIVEN, Secretary
Frostless Belt Water Company, San Dimas, Cal.

Delinquent Notice.

Office of the Covina Irrigating Company, principal place of business, Covina, Rowland Township, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

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Chas. M. Menefee, pldgee of I. M. Bartley	1380	90	90.00

And in accordance with law and an order of the Board of Directors, made on the fourth day of November, A. D., 1903, so many shares of each parcel of such stock as may be necessary shall be sold at public auction at the office of the Company in Covina, Cal., the 29th day of December, A. D., 1903, at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m. of said day to pay said delinquent assessment thereon, together with costs of advertising and expense of sale.

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... Raisin ... to Warner, Whitsel & Co.

The Irwindale Citrus Association is installing a Raisin grader with the ... This will give the house about three times its former capacity. A box carrying belt is also being added to the plant. Box makers are now busily engaged making 5000 picking boxes. The management estimates the output of the house ... year at 150 carloads.

If ... sugar syrup try the ... It is the finest thing ...

Warner, Whitsel & Co.

J. O. Houser, Superintendent of the Covina Home Telephone Company, with a force of men was in the settlement Monday putting in several phones. C. D. Leech has had his residence attached to the system.

We have just unpacked a full line of staple grocery and will at all times hereafter keep a good stock of it. See our line and prices before buying.

Warner, Whitsel & Co.

Mr. ... and wife are entertaining their uncle, O. L. Maxfield, from the northern part of the state.

C. H. Coffman is still shipping two crates of strawberries a day.

E. E. Leech is busy digging potatoes. His crop will amount to 800 sacks.

"Mother Goose," Friday, Dec. 18.

Pure Eastern buckwheat flour and the best maple syrup at Warner, Whitsel & Co.'s.

L. D. Woodworth Jr., and Homer Hostettler have purchased a Stearn's spraying outfit.

Mrs. L. D. Copeland, of Los Angeles, has been visiting with E. R. Coffman.

Miss Phoebe Brown is still visiting in Los Angeles. She is expected home Sunday.

Why not try buckwheat cakes and maple syrup these mornings. You get the best in the land of Warner, Whitsel & Co.

Dr. Bosserman and wife visited friends in Los Angeles a few days this week.

R. E. Taylor has sold his orange orchard to a gentleman from Cuba.

Lyman Snelling of Michigan is a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. E. Roberts.

Mrs. T. Russell is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Braddy.

Mr. W. H. Merricks, wife and daughter Fay arrived here Monday from Indiana. They have occupied the A. C. Stower cottage.

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Chas. Kagan departed for Joplin, ... Monday, where he was called on ...

Chris. Smith was thrown with such violence against a seat in a street car on which he had taken passage in Los Angeles last Friday that two of his ribs were broken and as a result he was confined to his bed for several days.

Harry Martin sustained a fractured bone in the left forearm as the consequence of being hit by a misdirected ball while playing ball at Azusa last Sunday.

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Miss Trostle and brother William have returned home after a prolonged visit with friends in Iowa and Ohio.

Mrs. D. E. Mathias visited friends in Lordsburg a few days this week.

The first annual meeting of the Glendora board of trade was held Monday night at the town hall, at which permanent officers were elected as follows: President, C. E. Whitcomb; vice-president, C. A. Weaver; secretary, R. B. Bidwell; treasurer, F. E. Odell. A board of directors was elected, appropriate committees were appointed and a hearty co-operation on the part of all the members was promised to make a united effort to build up Glendora and vicinity.

Rev. G. T. Welcome and daughters, of Los Angeles, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. La Fetra.

GLENDORA.

J. W. Yost, Ernest B. Owens, Ed Humphrey and party returned Monday after an extended trip to Imperial and near by places. They report a fine trip and a favorable impression of the Imperial section of the country.

If you have good bread, good butter and good coffee or tea your dinner will be a success. Our brands of these goods are not equaled in this market, try them.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. M. La Fetra entertained a few days this week the Rev. Wilcomb and daughter of Los Angeles.

Mr. ... and wife of Oregon are guests of W. B. S. Lewis.

Mrs. J. Barker and daughter Hattie Baker have moved to Azusa.

W. B. Cullen returned home Monday after spending two weeks doing assessment work on his mining claim out on the desert.

Order your bread, cake, pies, fruit cake ... from Warner, Whitsel & ... grade, the best.

Mr. ... of Compton ... Miss ... La Fetra ...

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Sale of Nursery Stock.

In the matter of Jno. R. King, bankrupt; in bankruptcy on the 4th day of December, A. D., 1903.

By virtue of an order issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Southern District.

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned up to and including the 16th day of December, 1903, for all the right, title and interest of the said Jno. R. King, bankrupt, in and unto a certain nursery stock situated on the ranch of A. E. Davis, about two miles south of the town of Glendora, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Said interest consists of an undivided one-half interest in and to said nursery stock, comprising about 7000 budded orange trees under one year old on two year old roots; also 2379 seedling roots in nursery (recently budded), two years old.

Said interest is subject to the following agreements and sales heretofore made by the said bankrupt, to-wit:

1st. An agreement to deliver from the whole of said nursery stock 1000 trees to W. G. Hall.

2nd. Sales aggregating 1610 of said budded trees from the share of said bankrupt, heretofore made by him.

3rd, Subject to the terms of an agreement made and entered into by said bankrupt with the said A. E. Davis in regard to the planting out and subsequent care and management of said nursery by said bankrupt, which said agreement requires him to plant out and fully care for, and perform all work on said nursery, until such time as the trees are fit for market, upon which there was due to A. E. Davis up to Sept. 30, 1900, the sum of $177.95.

For full particulars respecting said nursery and the interest of said bankrupt of the undersigned at the said premises.

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